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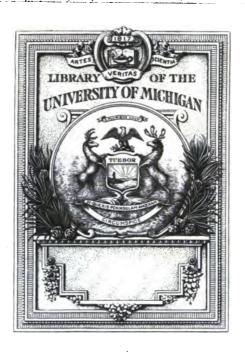
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Nec Lusisse pudet, sed non incidere Ludum.

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TO THE

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Of the following

POEMS.

TO speak of Merit in Impartial Lays,

And without Flattery a Friend to praise,

For this the Muse shall brike the Vocal Lyre,

And sing in Numbers which Thy Works inspire,

Who feels your Sorrow with a Sigh sincere,

And spite of Resolution drops a Tear.

The clouded, like the Sun, thy Genius shines

Thro Fortune's Mist in Bright Immortal Lines,

Like Martyrs from Affliction stronger grows,

Nor drooping sinks beneath a Weight of Woes:

A 2

Not.

Not for could ONID in His Exile write;

The Heart-felt Anguish check'd His Tow'ring Flight;

His Theme no longer was the Blooming Fair,

But sung in dying Notes His own Despair.

When modern sing-song Panegyrick Bards,

Whom CIBBER praises, and the Court rewards,

In dark Oblivion shall forgotten lie,

Except preserved by Chance beneath a Pye,

With Rapture shall Posterity rehearse

To their admiring Sons Thy wasting Verse.

Since HORACE flourish'd in Augustus' Court.

(For Men of Wit and Taste the Gay Resort)

None but the British Bards with Ease could sing,

Or touch with Equal Skill the Roman String;

From their tude Hands the Lyre dropp'd idely down,

Because they were not Lineal to the Throne.

The STEPHENS Muse in Humble Metre flows,

And warbles Numbers near ally d to Prose,

Thy Genius gives a Lustre to His Rhimes,

And such a Bard may live to Future Times.

So modern B—sh—ps by Translation thrive,

And Drones receive the Labours of the Hive.

Had Fortune shone with an Auspicious Ray,
And gilded with Her Beams Thy Natal Day,
The World had lost the Labours of thy Brain,
And Phorn us had Inspired Thy Breast in vain;
But now what Glory will reward thy Toil,
If when the Goddess frown the Muses smile?
And sure that is the most distinguished Fame
Which rises from your own, not Father's Name.

London, April 21, 1738.

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LATIN and ENGLISH

POEMS.

B

SHUNAMITIS POEMA

STEPHANI DUCK

Latine redditum.

O S, ô cœlestes Musæ, aspirate canenti,

Nam vestrum est cœleste melos; Rex ma(xime Cœli-

Invoco præcipue; venias in vota secundus

O Deus, & tangas divino slamine pectus;

Umbrosum seu te Carmel, sacrive sluentum

Jordani tenet, huc adsis, numerisque vigoram

B 2

Sufficias,

Sufficias, dum me laudes tibi dicere læto
Accingam cantu, moveasque Rebellia corda
Isacidum, ut memori condant sub pectore voces.

Talibus orabat dictis Shunamia mater; Undique Judzei proceres, populique frequentes Agglomerant; tum mentem inflata, & numine plena Sic canere incepit: vos, ô Abramia proles, Arrectas adhibete aures; laudare Jehovam Mens jubet, atque Dei miracula ferre per orbem: Cum Conforte tori multos feliciter annos Exegi. Domino lectissima munera cosli Non parca fundente manu, semperque patebat Externis domus Hospitium, solamen Egenis. Virtutem suadens, divinaque justa capessens Has olim terras gelebravit Elisha, Laresque Non semel ad nostros venit gratissimus Hospes; Ille quidem titulos, & quæ fert gratia regum Obtulit haud animi ingratus, sed non ego tali

Mente

[17]

Mente utens, dixi, O vates, Deus optimus almam Concessit terram, quâ pleno Copia manat Flumine; quod satis est fruimur, non plura rogamus; Accedant Regum turres & Martia castra Queîs levis ambitio, fugitivaque gloria cordi est, Aurea sollicitæ tentent & vincula pompæ; Me ducit natale folum, quo degere vitam Stat mihi, nec lucro placidam mutare quietem; Hic etenim nudus vestes, fessusque viator Inveniat requiem, hoc vano prælucet honori Qui tegit internos luctus, fucatque dolores. Purpureo Satrapas decorant Infignia cultu, Et splendore rudis perstringunt lumina vulgi, Sed rarò pullæ dispergunt nubila curæ.

Progenie exceptă, Cœlum dulcissima vitæ

Præbuerat; quod cum Vatis pervenit ad aures,

Me vocat; ut veni, tollit se sede propheta,

Nec tum eadem sacies, nec vox, nec forma loquenti:

B 3

(Delphicus

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(Delphicus haud quali vultus feritate Sacerdos-Apparet, rabidum stimulat cum pectus Apollo, Edit & infani figmenta Oracula sensus:) Mortali at plusquam facies suffusa decore Effulfit, cœleste jubar radiavit in ore Dicentis; salve mulier carissima Cœlo! Non latuere Deum virtutes, præmia solvet Digna, dabitque utero sterili producere natum. Sic vates; & mox jucundo pondere fensim Intumuit venter, promissam enixaque prolem Lætabar; subito volitabat fama per urbes Vicinas; puerum extemplo venêre gregatim Spectatum affines; placidis cum vocibus omnes Gaudia fudiffent, grato fic ore canebam:

O Cœli Genitor, numeros quis laudibus æquos Inveniat? Quis fando dei miracula pandat?. Te Domino mandante, líquefcet faxea rupes In glebam, & croceis prægnans flavebit ariftis.

Aurea

[19]

Aurea desertum decorabit Copia, Retis Ridebunt uvis Arabumque inculta locorum,

Talia dicentem populi clamore fecundo Sic interpellant, & complent murmure cœlum: O Deus Omnipotens! quam vasta potentia regni est Confessi, nomen sancto laudamus honore. Cuncta tuo parent fceptro, naturaque jussis Auscultans, linquit soliti vestigia cursus. Nos tibi pro tali grates persolvere dignas Munere conamur, præsens hic annue votis, Ut vires puero, fic crefcant gaudia matri: Natali porro vates qui præfuit horæ Confiliis animum vitæ per lubrica ducat; Et vos, aligeri solium cœleste ministri Stipantes, tenera virtutis femina mente Spargite, dumque haustu vitalis vescitur auræ,

Præsidio

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Præsidio munite, & cum mors occupat artus,

Tunc efferte—— manum hic movit matrona, filenti

Morigeri jusso cuncti tacuere, futuris

Vocibus intenti, quas moesto hæc edidit ore:

Mortales miseri! tantum impersecta supremis Gaudia libamus labris, & nubila luctûs Lætitiæ imbelles radios ferrugine tingunt: Antè revolventes quam bis septem egerat annos. Progenies (adeo brevis est & summa voluptas). Visendi studio correpta exivit in arva. Messores, & flaventes longo ordine fasces Erectos, oculique arrifit lutea fcena; Sed jubar aut Phœbus nimiùm vibravit acutum, Aut inimica aura, aut subiti coière dolores Maturare necem; pater ô! fuccurre dolenti Dixit, at incassum; penitus vigor artubus ægris Languit, & rosei vultum liquere colores.

Tanti

Tanti fama mali nostras cito pertigit aures, Atque aderat fubito moribunda in limine proles \$ Indulgens i fi collo dare brachia eircum : Quid puerum cruciat dixi? gemitu ille profundo Respondit, vox & morienti faucibus hæsit. Tentavi mœrens rabiem lenire dolendi, Tentavi frustra; quatit æger anhelitus artus Pallentes, Fati instantis certissimus Index: Illico frigebant vitalia sumina venis, Nutavitque æger lethali pondere vertex; Ter conatus erat gremio se attollere, & impos-Ter cecidit, gemitu vitamque amilit in auras. Non aliter quam cum tenera radice colonus Nutrivit vitem, ramos docilefque plicavit, Sithonium ve gelu, vel mordet noxius Euri Surgentem flatus, vani pereuntque labores.

Frigefcens

Frigescens horrore steti, perque ima eucurrit
Ossa tremor; lacrymas suderunt lumina, & imbre
Continuo maduere genæ; vix corde dolorem,
Sustinui; demum sed lingua silentia rupit,
Et tristi querulas emisi pectore voces:

O quam mortales animos incerta voluptas

Deliciis brevibus mulcet, fugit inde caduca,

Par vacuæ nubi, volucrique fimillima vento!

Nil autem lugere juvat, non vita redibit

In gelidum corpus, pulcroque cadaveri eundum est

In noctem æternam, & tenebrosæ viscera terræ.

Sed culpare Deum, fatoque edicere leges

Non nostrum est; miro proles suit edita partu,

Nec mage sit mirandum, animet si spiritus auræ.

Exsangues artus, sedem repetatque priorem.

Si properem ad Carmel, forsan lenimen amaris.

Accedat curis; vatis valuere potentes.

Ececundare.

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Focundare preces sterilem, votisque favente Numine, diffolyat frigentia vincula mortis. Tishbites viduæ Natum revocavit ab umbris; Nec Famam est Factis sortitus Elisha minorem: Jordani rapidum palla cum venit ad amnem Percussit sluctus, hinc atque hinc slumina current Divifa, & liquidis stipant vestigia muris. Per multas messes tellus Jerichoa colonis Haud æqua affiduis herbas produxit inertes; Sed mandante illo flavis ridebat ariffis, Pestiferi fontes undasque dedere salubres. Dilectum cœlo vatem non dulcia fola, Ast & acerba manent penès, ingentemque procacis Ultorem linguæ fenfit Bethelia Pubes. Præterea, quando Moabitæ fœdera turmæ Fregêre, & frustra coiêre rebellibus armis Isacidûm turbare manus, in bella Cohortes Duxit Idumeæ * Princeps deserta per oræ;

• Jehoram.

Quà non arentem mulcebant aéra venti, Nec puri ficcis manabant fontibus amnes; Oppressit sitis ægra-duces, sociæque Phalanges Defecêre animis, a Te tum, magne propheta, Auxilium petière Duces, nec inane petebant: Namque ubi jussifti, tellus humebat obortis Fluminibus, campique liquens solvuntur in æquer; Non major tellurem ustam rorerit aquarum Copia, cum faxa Amramides mollivit in undas. Quemve unquam fugiet facinus mirabile factu, Multiplicando oleum viduæ cum debita solvit? Talia qui fecit (votis modò Conditor orbis Annuat,) exanimi det morte refurgere nato,

Sic fata, imposui puerum male moesta cubiti
Quo vates dormire solet, justique parari
Quadrupedem; at tristis conjux abrumpere srustra
Propositum tentabat iter, dictisque monebat:

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Non Deus æthereo vatis nunc flamine tangit Pectora, neve illi est arcana recludere fati; *Cui fic respondi : cur spem compescere quæris Surgentem? Vulgi ritus, & vana dierum Nomina non mihi funt curæ, Deus Optimus isli-Semper adest, precibusque benignas exhibet aures; Hæc ubi dicta dedi, frænis per plana viarum Laxatis properavit Equus, Passuque citato Deveni terram celfo quà vertice Carmel Surgit, odorato recreatque cacumine cœlum; ·Qua vitis placidam ramis contexuit umbram, Confedit Vates; Zephyri lusere tepentes Per nemus, & leni frondes movêre susurro. Procubui prona ante pedes, tremulâque prehendens Genua manu, plenas effudi luctui habenas:

Materno dixit parce indulgere dolori,

Non lacrymæ possunt fati mutare tenorem:

Accendit

E ...

Accendit Deue, aut extinguit lampada vite.

Ad libitum; mandare fuum, fuccumbere nostrum est;
Vult omnes Natura mori; certa urna paratur
Omnibus, & mors non pœna est, nisi talis habetur.

Nostra tamen magnum si tangant vota Tonantem.

Ipsa regustabis redivivo gaudia nato.

Sic ait, & baculo desigit lumina, servum
Ad se deinde vocat; dixitque, hoc leniter om
Pone super pueri, justum ille exegit herile.

O nostræ, inclamo, spes certa & sola salutis!
Da mihi te sacilem; non sas est credere servo
Tantæ molis opus: si tu mecum ire recuses,
Auritas mœsto vites clamore movebo,
Et natum plorans, & tristia pectora plangens
Vocales luctum montes resonare docebo.
Plura sui dictura, dolor sed verba repressit;
At lacrymæ & gemitus habuêrunt pondera vocis.

Motus

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Motion erat madem questa, sedemque virentem.

Liquit, & aëra descendit vertice monta.

Ad Shunam tendens, propero via longaque cursus.

Correpta optatas oculis mox obtulit arces;

Ad portam nobis sese dedit obvius altam.

Regrediens servus: pallentes plumbeus artus.

Mortis adhuc pueri tenuit sopor, intima doneo.

Fatidicus miseri intravit penstralia tecti.

Multa animo volvens juxta stetit ille cadaver,.

Lugentesque seorsum excedere justit amicos;

Deinde preces fundens afflavit lumine cassum.

Corpus, & extemplo distendit stamine venas.

Purpureo sanguis, vitalem membra vigorem

Senserunt, victum cessitque ignobile lethum.

Sic cædi invigilans balantis ab ubere matris.

Quando agnum lupus eripuit, serus ore cruento.

Dilacerat; sed se venientem sorsitan audit.

Pastorem,

Paftorem, indignans, tamen actus linquere prædam, Præcipitatque fugam, completque ululatibus agros.

Nunc vates cupidis dat natum amplectier ulnis, Cui mage purpureo vultus rubuêre colore, Atque oculi plusquam solito sulgore micabant. Non aliter quam cum Phœbus, sulgente coruscum: Qui vehit axe diem, tegitur caliginis umbra; Cum primo auricomum tenebris caput exerit atris Splendidius vibrat jubar, aut vibrare videture.

Definit hic matrona loqui, numerosaque turba
Respondens junctis fic claudit vocibus hymnum:
Armipotens Deus! Imperii quam dirigis æqua
Fræna manu, vitamque viris vel funera misces!
Te globus immensus Terræ, te lucida summi
Regna poli agnoscunt Dominum; tuque inclyte mundi
Sol Decus ætherei, qui comples lumine cœlum,

Redde

[29]

Redde Deo laudes, cum gurgite surgis Eoo. Hesperio & rutilos cum mergis in æquore currus. Tu noctis Regina argentea Luna, minores Vosque Ignes qui luce aspergitis aëris amplos Carulei tractus, vos O campique liquentes Marmoris æquorei, Regem laudate Jehovam, Horrida flammanti torquentem fulmina dextrâ, Vos fontes, amnes vitrei, & vaga flumina cursus Finditis ut liquidos, meritas persolvite laudes. Vos omnes, densæ nebulæ pluviique vapores Surgentes laudate Deum, laudate cadentes. At vos, Isacidæ, pleno qui ducitis haustu Dulcia dona Dei, & toties miracula magna Vidiftis, celebrate perenni nomen honore.

C 3

PARS

PARS TERTII CAPITIS Prophetæ HABBAKUK.

Tulgore cinctus terribili Deus
Teman relinquens, & Paran arduum,
Complevit orbem dignitate
Et liquidi spatia ampla cœli;

Mors multiformis prævolat, & lues Horrenda, morborum agmine lurido. Stipatus incedit; voraces. Sub pedibus glomerantur ignes.

Emensus orbem luminibus, gravem Mundi timorem gentibus incutit: In plana subsedêre colles, Et resugi tremuêre montes.

Magno



Magno feroces Æthiopas metu-Vidi paventes; vidi ego territos. Orbes remotos, & trementem-Horrisono Midian tumultu.

Vidêre Rivi Te pavidi; juga
Vidêre Te, Te flumina, & intimis.

Terrore perculfi cavernis

Æquorei gemuêre fluctus.

Caliginosà nocte premit polum; Sistit sugaces Sol pavitans equos, Nec triste pallens Luna curat Noctivagos agitare cursus.

Sensêre Gentes quid Deus impise Possit Jacobi: terribilem quatit Hastam, feruntur dum sagittæ Lethiseris per inane pennis.

Finenta

Fluenta cursu præcipiti retrò
Volvêre fluctus; attonitus petit

Jordanus urnam, dum triumphans

Per trepidas equitavit undas.

Tantæ ruinæ dum Sonitus minax:
Ferstringit aures, faucibus obruta
Vox hæret, imas & pavores
Horrisici penetrant medullas.

Si terra fructus edere definat;
Natura languens fi pereat, canam
Te Principem terræ, Jehovah,
Te superi Dominumque cceli.

Ad Amicum.

Litera, quam vestră charta notata manu;

Quò magè perlegi, magè delectavit ocellos,
Sed te plus nimio conqueror esse brevem;
Copia verborum multò jucundior esset;
O malè dellciis invidiose meis!

Tristia si quæras cur sint mihi carmina cordi;
Conveniunt sorti carmina mæsta meæ.

Qualis in Existum Romanis actus ab oris
Flebilibus lusit Naso poëta modis,

Qualiter aut slevit crudelem questus amicam;
Fugit ut amplexus dura Corinna suos;

Lugu

Lugubris absentes fic plorat Musa fodales, Sic trahit infaultam tardior hora diem : Non aures mulcent arguti ad vina lepores, Non jacet in cupido blandula nympha finu; Mine curæ accedunt, hine furgit origo doloris; At nostri superest altera causa mali: Annua vicini celebrabant festa coloni. Ornabat dubias rustica pompa dapes. Ruricolæ venêre viri, venêre puellæ, Edidit & gracilem tibia flata sonum. Unica de multis perstrinxit lumina nymphis. Me mihi purpureze surripuère genze; Qualiter umbrofis incedit montibus Hæmi Virgineo Dryadum Delia cincta choro. Lascivis præbet vestem disfundere ventis. Ludunt ambrofiæ colla per alba comæ. Haud fecus hac motu nymphas supereminet omnes, Et roseo placidam spirat ab ore necem.

Eer-

[35]

Fervebant Paphia concurrere membra palæftrå, Offa repentious tangit & ima calor; Dixi blanditias, dixi mollissima verba, Sed manet irato furdior Illa mari; O! fi casta minus, minus aut formosa suisset, Sprevissem Cyprii spicula vana Dei. Ut pellam curas, & fallam tædia vitæ Jam propero Aonias follicitare Deas. Quid facis, infœlix? pergis dare vela procellis? Adversis demens fluctibus ire paras? Incassum tentas dispergere nubila sortis, Tanto erit haud præsens musa medela malo. Stamine quam nigro ducunt mea fila forores! Hei mihi, quàm misero vita tenore fluit! Oxonium peterein, sed Tonsor, Sartor, & Hospes Nomina sunt ipso penè timenda sono. Tu fieres longi, carissime, meta doloris, Aspera sed mihi te, me tibi sata negant.

Non

[36]

Non semper rutilos obscurant nubila cœlos,
Non semper tumidis volvitur æquor aquis,
Haud aliter mutet vultus fortuna severos,
Et veniat votis mollior aura meis.
Sed donec mihi te reddat selicior hora,
Hinc eat & redeat mutua charta. Vale.

Ad

Ad JOANNEM G-s-num, Equitem.

Per minus castas Druriæ tabernas

Lenis incedens abeas Diones

Æquus Alumnis.

Nuper (ah dictu miserum!) Olivera Flevit ereptas viduata mæchas, Quas tuum vidit genibus minores

Ante tribunal.

Dure, cur tanta in Veneris ministras Æstuas ira? posito surore Huc ades, multa & prece te vocantem

Gratior audi!

Nonne sat mæchas malè seriatas Urget insessis sera sors procellis?

D

Adderis

Adderis quid tu ulterior puellis

Causa doloris?

Incolunt eheu! thalamos supernos,
Nota quæ sedes suerat Poëtis;
Nec domum argento gravis ut selebat

Dextra revertit.

Nympha quæ nuper nituit theatro Nunc stat obscuro misera angiportu, Supplici vellens tunicam rogatque

Voce Lyaeum.

Te voco rebus Druriæ ruentis;
Voce communi Britontum Juventus.
Te vocat, nunc ô! dare te benignum

Incipe votis.

Singulum tunc dona feret lupanar: Liberum mittet Rosa Lusitancim,

Gallici

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Gallici Haywarda & generosa mittet

Munera Bacchi;

Sive te forsan moveat libido, Aridis pellex requiesces ulnis Callida essetas renovare lento

Verbere vires.

Ď *

·Ad

Ad Amicum.

U A potior sanus tibi, Carole, mitto salutem; Sed præter folitum te tacuisse queror: Cynthia decrevit, lucemque coegit in orbem, Nec venit ad nostras litera lenta manus. Quæ legis ex illis scribo, carissime, campis Quos * Ninus placidis lambit amænus aquis. Africe ut Autumnus ridentem temperat annum Effundens pleno munera larga finu; Mitior æstivâ, brumali mitior aurâ, Ut nimis hæc friget, fic nimis illa calet. Luxuriat roseis vindemia læta racemis, Nectareoque tumet penfilis uva mero. Tempora maturant fructus, & poma coloni Frugiferæ carpunt aurea dona Deæ.

* Fluvius in comitatu Northampt.

Agri-

Agricolæ dociles ducunt ad aratra juvencos, Et dant fœcundo femina flava folo.

Phœbus ut exoriens perfundit lumine cœlum Venator volucres cogit in arva canes.

Piscibus insidior vitrei stans margine rivi,

Dum lenis tremulo murmurat aura sono.

Grandia Mœoraii miror modo carmina Cygai, Ut firuxit proprium perfida Troja rogum;

Ardentesque duces, & pingues sanguine campos, Et video hostiles bella movere Deos.

Quem non mellitæ tangit facundia linguæ

Dum ciet Argolicas Nestor ad anna manue?

Quantus Achilleis fulget Patrochus in armis Dum vibrat Lycio tela sremenda duci!

Pars nulla immensi ridet mihi gratior orbis,

Non habet angellum terra Britanna parem;

O Cereri & Baccho tellus cariffima! fruges
Prodigus haud parca spargit uterque manu:

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Optima

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Optima Campano non cedit vitis Iaccho. Certat & Hesperio nobilis Alla mero. Hæc plaga formosis splendet ditissima nymphis, Et superat Paphiæ regna beata Deæ; Singula quot nitidis exultat villa puellis! Quàm patet in nostros Area lata modos! Gaudia quantumvis mihi fundere rura videntur, Delicii fine te debilis umbra manet. Quando erit ut videam caros dilecte sodales? O mihi Thesea pectora juncta fide! Optatum ad portum me mollior aura reducet, Et spero faciles in mea vota Deos; Sed nunc mandato claudetur Epistola parvo: Sis nostri memor, ut sum memor Ipse Tui.

Ad

Ad GALLUM.

S I nimis longùm tacui, Sodalis
Care, concedas veniam roganti,
Perlegas vultuque parùm severo

Carmen amici.

Ore seu sumum placidum Tabacci Accipis, reddisque, humilis vel Allæ Aridas frondes Logicæ rigantis

Pocula fumis,

Linque si possis tubulum scyphumque, Linque si possis comites jocosos, Et vaca paulum metrica ligatis

Compede nugis.

Rustici

[44.]

Rustici nuper (quod ad umbilicum Duxerant messem) Cereri litabant, Sedula & lautis epulis parabat

Villica mensas;

Captus agreftis novitate moris Ad dapes veni dubias vocatus, Ebibique Allæ calices biennis

Lege folutes.

Armiger Zytho riguus potenti Ructibus voces mutilat, jocosque Amputans, lassas stolido cachinno

Vulnerat aures;

Majus haud monstrum generatur Illo,
Nec viget quicquam fimile aut secundum,
Plumbeo cui præ catulis equisque

Omnia sordent.

Sicco abhine fluxit mihi vita cursu:
Tu rigas planis Cyathis amicos,
Blandulá aut quæris vacuus puellá

Fallere noctem.

Sobrio

[45]

Sobrio & præter solitum pudico Machina mi non opus est amica, Horreo nec quos malesana sparget

Nympha calores.

Pellice & vino careo; sed usus

Ista me ferre edocuit, jubetque

Gaudio solari animum priori,

Speque futuri.

Ad

Ad Amicum cum Joannis Secundi O P E R I B U S.

Armina quæ lufit plectro leviore Secundus Exiguum nostri pignus amoris habe; Lumine percurras facili quem Zoilus Ipse Vix neget antiquis vatibus esse parem; In quo Nasonis redivivi Musa resurgit Pandit ut Idaliæ mystica sacra Deæ; Phœbeos, Cypriosque ambo sensêre calores, Deperiere pares, & cecinere pares; Julia succendit natum Sulmone poëtam, Torruit Hagensem Julia pulcra virum; Belgica Romanæ non cedit Julia nymphæ, Nec cedis vati, dive Secunde, suo. Julia digna tuis, etiamque indigna Camenis, Julia candidior, frigidiorque nive!

Qui

Quis non afficitur, cui non est causa dolendi, Cum iacet alterius dura puella finu? Quis tamen afficitur, vel cui fit causa dolendi, Sævitiæ relegit dum monimenta fuæ? Candida mox vifit juvenem Venerilla poëtam Languidulis oculis, aureolifque comis; Omnibus in vestras placuerunt carmina laudes, Cur tibi cui voluit non, Venerilla, placent? Salvete æternum Dominæ sacrata Neæræ Bafia, Acidalii numine plena Dei! Bafia, perfusi Cythereo nectare versus! Bafia vel Cypriæ digna placere Deæ! Incedis Paphia religatus tempora myrto, Et colis Elyfias, Umbra beata, plagas; Ecce! tibi vates affurgunt, Naso, Tibullus, Et Flaccus Lyrici gloria magna Chori. Te socium accipiunt, videórque audire catervám Unanimi tales edere voce fonos:

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Hic vir hic est carus Phœbo, Venerisque sacerdos, Qui cecinit Gnidiæ basia dona Deæ; O selix Juvenis; cape præmia carmine digna,

Sisque inter Vates primus, ut illa Deas.

Ad SEXTUM.

DIVA lascivi genetrix amoris

Druriam liquit modò multàm amatam,

Et Goventino propiore curà

Przefidet Horto:

Liquit Howarda thalamum protervæ, Talbetæ liquit penetrale tæff, Seque jam Coxa Venus in decoram

Transtulit ædem;

Regnat hic luxu insolito, hic ruinæ Confluit pubes studiosa, mæchi Hic eunt crebri redeuntque, & odit

Janua limen.

E

Clario

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Clarior clarâ meretrix Philippâ
Sub jugum victas juvenum catervas
Misit, & scortis agit invidendum

Coxa triumphum ;

Fausta præ cunctis, cupidis virentes Quam sovent ulnis Juvenes: senilis Graya dum Civis ciet impotentem

Verbere penem.

Fisa sed cœlo & Zephyro secundo Latiùs vela haud metuens procellæ Explicat, sperat placidumque semper

Credula pontum;

Mox frement venti, exitioque fœti Ingruent fluctus, scopuli patebunt Abditi, & mergent fragilem æstuosa

Æquora puppim.

Gilla

Gilla venalis stat in angiportu;

Brookia Hawarda celebrat culinam

Nocte pertendens riguis Iaccho

Retia mœchia.

Hooper obsceenas pedes it tabernas;
Dura paupertas malè Morrisonas
Opprimit, mechas sub inauspicato

Sydere natas.

Browniæ splendorem hebetavit ætas;
Carlesis turpis macies decentem
Occupat vultum, parilem dabitque

Coxa ruinam.

Integram serva ante alias amatam

Sylviam, & famam vigili tuêre

Numine, huic primo, Venus, huic supremo

Annue Voto!

E 2

Præbeas

Præbeas si te facilem vocanti Te colam, Diva, assiduus, sequarque Te metûs expers, & inibo vestra

Prælia inermis.

Irritas sed quid juvat obseratis

Auribus futire preces? subibit

Pellicis (sera ah subeat!) dolendam

Sylvia fortem.

Cum nihil certi stabilisve Parcæ Invidæ humanæ tribuêre genti, Expedit Divum colere explicatå

Fronte Lyaum,

Hanc mihi normam posuisti, in hac te Assequar, dilecte, libens, tuoque Eluam exemplo tetricas Oportee

Æquore curas.

Ad

Ad SEXTUM.

Ualis Threicias exul damnatus ad oras, Vel riget æterno quà Nova Zembla gelu. Innectit causasque moræ, lacrymisque rigatus Enumerat liquidæ tædia longa viæ, Dumque ratis vehitur spatiosa per æquora ponti, Respicit ad patrii littora cara soli; Tendebam tali depressus pectora luctu Ad loca deliciis invidiosa meis, Qua non purpurei delectant munera Bacchi, Qua non Idaliæ dulcia dona Deæ. Tunc animum absentes socii subière, meroque Irrigui risus, ambiguique sales, Et semper faciles in amoris furta puellæ, Et Lunæ signo conspicienda domus;

E 3

Mox

Mox ruit in mentem qualis sese ore serebet Sylvia, dum jacui captus amore finu. Brachia dum circumque dedi, veneresque pererrato Fixi molliculis oscula mille genis, Qui titillantes repsere per offa calores Mentula dum gratum coepit umoris opus! Gaudia dum placido jacui languore folutus, Fingere vix animus, pingere Musa nequit. Sylvia, druricolas inter pulcherriana nymphas! Sylvia lascivi gloria prima chori! Quando iterum tepidos liceat penetrare receffus? Quando iterum roseo bassa ab ore bibam? Bafia quæ gelidam poterint renovare fenectam! Bafia amatori digna placere Jovi! Quid mihi fi teneat Civem Bartona catenis In coitu crebras docta movere nates? Quid mihi fi lasciva Antonia polleat arte, Calleat & Venerem follicitare manu?

Non mihi kant cordi- me Sylvia Iola perunt · Languidulis oculis, lacteologue finu. Excitat, & nostrus potis est restinguere flammas, Et Peni vires Illa dat, Illa rapit. Nunc mala fors fauftis nimis, ah! nimis invida rebus Me gremio avulfit, Sylvia pulcra, tuo; Quàm malè fustinui discedens dicere longum Cara vale, longum Sylvia cara vale! Conjuge vix genrait curis propioribus Orphous Rapta iterum ad Stygli lurida regna Dei. Innumeri luctus tardant mihi temporis alas, Et mentem nigro pondere cura premit. Rure morans quid agam? latet alto pectore vulnus; Nascitur haud nostris rure medela malis; Hic uno repenti & codem tramite surgit Nil veniente die, nil abeunte, novi. Diverso longe properant tibi tempora cursu, Singula delicias exhibet hora novas:

Nocte

Nocte Rosam celebras hilari comitante caterva, Et te das sociis, tristitiamque notis; Præ cunctis caræ libas de more puellæ Munera Cornigeri nobiliora Dei. Forfitan Italici te ludicra pompa theatri, Scenæ, versiculi rerum inopesque juvant, Orchestrâque sedes, delectatâque canoros Semiviri modulos combibis aure Chori, Dum Reges percunt Cygnorum more canentes, Tibia & imbelles inflat ad arma manus. Cum solitus suadet vigor & tentiginis æstus, Sub figno Cypriæ bella movere Deæ. Aut animam niveis Catharinæ effundis in ulnis, Aut te molliculo mulcet Eliza finu. Scire cohors quid agit Veneri devota laboro; (Vix te de genere hoc ulla latere puto) Fertilis an mœchas misst Juverna recentes? Sana quid ad præsens Scorta lupapar habet?

Quæfitæ

Ouæfitæ floretne tenax Antonia palmæ? Pellacine sedet pristinus ore decor? An Juvenem flammå dignum meliore perurit Haud Oculis facies infidiofa meis? Dic, quali regnat pompa Regina Corintel. Et quos jam lactat luxuriosa procos; An gemmis magè quam forma spectanda theatro Fulget adhuc nitidi publica cura Chori? Postremum liceat de te mihi pauca rogare: Quæ jam venali Laïs amore capit? Congrederisne serox Penem circumdatus armis. An ruis Idalize nudus ad acta Deze? An pellex malesana accendit in Inguine flammas, Et pateris telo vulnera facta tuo? Sed te (ni fallor) fecêre pericula cautum. Et toties passum spero carere malis. Quot tecum noctes vinoque jocisque dicavi!

Heu! meminisse piget, dum meminisse juvat s

Te mœsto quamvis mala sors sejunxit amico,
Solvere amicitiæ vincula sirma nequit.
Concelebres alio si terras sole calentes,
Te nulla ex animo deleat hora meo.
Accipe vota precor (mihi nil nisi vota supersunt)
Det sortuna tibi quod mihi dura negat;
Liber & alma Venus tibi dona perennia sundant,
Et sallat noctem Diva, Deusque diem.

Ad SEXTUM.

DUM frequens cultor Veneris, puellas
Insequens circum nemora uvidique
Marginem Cami, Paphiâ fatigas

Membra palæstrå;

Ipse furtivos meditans amores
Inguine erecto & tenui crumena
Nocte sublustri peto Kidnie niense m

Fervidus Aulam;

Aut coronatis Genio culullis Serus indulgens celebro tabernas, Me nec, & luscum, poterit Falerni

Fallere testa.

Sed

Sed parùm arguti sapiunt sodales, Indicæ languet sapor omnis herbæ, Et minùs gratum est sine te jocosi

Munus Iacchi.

O mihi irrupto sociate amoris Vinculo, cum quo Cypriæ secutus Signa sum matris, roseique cum quo

Signa Lyæi!

Quando erit Grantam ut videam tenentem Te mei partem haud minimam, meroque Quando erit tecum ut liceat morantem

Frangere noctem?

Interim (quamvis mihi te negarint, Me tibi, Parcæ) regione nostra Missilis quicquid novitatis extat

Charta docebit:

Poola



Poola (ni mendax mihi falfa narrat Fama) non pridem laqueo Tyburni Pendula læfa est malè se secuto ex

Arbore collum.

Henlia absentem fine fine Rufum
Luget, & mœcho haud alio calebit,
Curam acu fallit, Venerisque dudum

Castra reliquit;

Sic (ut antiqui cecinêre vates)

Flevit ereptum viduata Ulyssem

Sponsa, percurrens minuitque luctus

Pectine telam.

Estne cui cedat meretrix apud vos Fama Cowellæ? Paphiæne matris Noverit BARNWELLA sideliorem

· Vestra ministram?

F

Callidè



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Callidè in portum resupina amoris Dirigit Penem, hic Gnidiæ litamus Fervidi Divæ, & vetus ara multo

Fumat odore.

Jam ferè longo satiata ludo Otium poscit Juvenes; gravescit, Et tui pars, ut perhibet, tumenti

Conditur alvo.

Alma mox prolem dubiam daturæ Diva fis præsens genitalis, acres Mitiga planctus, hebetaque duri

Spicula fati!

Nascere optata ô soboles! sequaris Si puer, mores patris, at puellam Si velint Parcæ, Cytherea matris

Imbuat arte.

Ad

Ad HENRICUM.

Ympha Coventini quæ gloria fulferat Horti, Cui vix vidisset Druria vestra parem, Exul, imops, liquit proprios miferanda Penates, Fortunæ extremæ fliftinuitque vices, Nunc trahit infaustam tenebroso in carcere vitam, Et levat infolito mellia membra toro: Carlesis, ah! quantum, quantum mutaris ab Illa Carlese, quæ Veneris maxima cura fuit! Æde tuâ risêre olim Charitesque Jocique, Hic fuerant Paphiæ currus & arma Deæ : Arferunt Cives, arfit Judæus Apella, Et te bellorum deperière chori. Jam sordes pallensque genas, & flaccida mammas, Non oculi, quondam qui micuere, micant. -

Heu

Heu ubi formosæ referentes lilia malæ! Labra ubi purpureis quæ rubuêre rosis! Te puer Idalius, te fastiditque juventus Tam marcescentem, dissimilemque tui. Siccine tam fidam curas Erycina ministram? Hæccine militiæ præmia digna tuæ? O Venus! ô nimium nimiumque oblita tuarum! Carlesis an meruit sortis acerba pati? Quæ posthàc arisve tuis imponet honorem, Ardebit posthàc vel tua Castra sequi? Omnigenas æquo circumípice lumine mœchas Quas tua pellicibus Druria dives alit, Quæ cellas habitant, vicos peditesve peragrant, Aut quæ Wappinios incoluêre Lares; Invenienda fuit nusquam lascivior, artûs Mobilior, facris vel magis apta tuis. Carlesis ah nostris & sienda & sieta Camænis!

Accedat vestris nulla medela malis?

Te

[65]

Te vereor miseram fortuna tenaciter anget,

Nec veniet rebus mollior aura tuis.

Est tibi (sitque precor) pellex, **Henrice*, virescens

Quæ te primævå simplicitate capit;

Sera Illi teneræ languescat gratia formæ,

Vita Illi cursu candidiore sluat,

Conjuge sit Batavo selix, tutusque fruaris

Aurea dum crassa Cornua fronte gerit.

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Ad

Ad BACCHUM.

DIVE Thebanæ foboles puellæ
Mixta quem mater peperit Tonante,
Dive qui vinclo metuente folvi

Neclis amicos!

Nubilas præsens removere curas Porrigis frontem minùs explicatam, Et Dionæis agitata mulces

Pectora telis;

Linque Campanos Siculosque colles, Linque Nutricis juga celsa Nysæ, Et meum comple, Deus alme, toto

Numine pectus!

Mo

Me puer longum Veneris marinæ Spiculis urgens cruciavit, adfis Lætus, & fælix miserêre nostri,

Dive, laboris!

Igne (ni falsum cecinêre vates)
Ipse mortali caluisse quondam,
Diceris, nec te puduit decorá

Virgine vinci:

Atticas quando spoliis onustus Victor Ægides reparavit oras, Vela diffundens nimiùm secundo

Turgida vento:

Sola desertis Ariadna terris Multa de falso doluit marito, Et repercusso sonuêre Naxi

Littora planctu;

Tu

Tu capiftratis rediens ab Indis Tigribus vectus, viridique cinctus Pampino crines, placida bibifti

Aure querelas.

Mox ubi nympham lacrymis venustam Videras, ictus caluisti amore, Et pares sensim subière nymphae

Pectora flammæ.

Adfuit ridens, Erycina, puris
Tuque cum tædis, Hymenæe, tæftes
Igne quàm fido colis Ipse nuptam,

Nupta maritum.

Dulcia experte ô fine felle amoris

Jam fave, Lenze pater, vocanti;

Et fuga fævum nimis ulceroso

Corde Tyrannum!

Tum



[69]

Tum tuo gratus meditans honores Numini haud parcos calices litabo, Luce dum Sol exoriens rubentem

Pingit Olympum;

Cumque mî pectus calet, altiori Te canam plectro, numeros puellæ Lesbiæ, vel dulce sequens Sabini

Carmen Olorisi

Ad

Ad CAROLUM B.....

TRA curarum minuens Geneva
Occidit duro nimium statuto
Pellici & Vati male consulentis

Parliamenti:

Utilis mæchæ fuit & Poëtæ;

Sprevit hinc Vates Dolopum catervas;

Mæcha Gonsonum tetrica minantem

Fronte laborem.

Solvitur justas Druria in querelas, Per Coventini spatia ampla & Horti Plangor auditur, gemitusque, tunsa &

Pectora palmis.

Talbotam

[71]

Talbotam fortuna premet; relinquent Carlesis quondam miseræ Penates Douglasa & Johnson duo pervicacis

Fulmina linguæ.

Penna inornatis queritur capillis;
Se fuper caro dolet esse succo
Hilla, Plumarum cyathisque versis

Hospita mæret,

Pellicum grata ô! fuperis & imis,

Jam vale longumque vale inter omnes

Eminens fuccos, veluti Pedestres

Fanny puellas;

Dulce Plumarum decus & columna, Fanny, seu Brimstona probas vocari! Impudens, apta & Veneri, & jocoso

Apta Lyæo.

Suave

Suave *Grubæi* doluere Cygni,

Dulce tam fudère melos canentes,

Ut forent Ipfi moribundi acerbâ

Morte Genevæ.

O vitro fons splendidior Poesis!

Tu dabas Ignemque animumque Vati,

Tu dabas sacros, pereunsque tolles

Mente furores.

Quis chori nunc Pierii superstes
Flebit absentem Laribus Britannis
———, dum gens patienter audit

Fœminæ habenas?

Quis fimul liquit Batavûm Penates
Vota Neptuno pia fundet? almam
Quis Thetin pinget vigili tuentem

Numine puppim?

Quis

[73]

Quis canet Regem litui tubæque

Ludicra & ficti fimulacra belli

Quem juvant, stat dum innocuas tremendus

Ante Cohortes?

Albion quam confilis Roberti
Floret! en! ut pacificis Horat?
Artibus Mayors agitur beatis

Finibus Exul.

Aureum genti redit en! Britannæ Sæculum; tuti volitant per æquor, Nec truces nostri metuunt ut olim

Navitæ Iberos.

Quis Lyræ pollens patiensque Phœbi Posteris hæc ancipiti legenda Det side? vani procul exulate

Mente timores:

G

Cibber

[74]

Cibber en! grato superest labori,
Carus argutæ Fidicen Thaliæ,
Lucidum nostræ columenque, spesque

Unica laurûs.

Concinet majore Poëta plectro

————, quandoque calens furore
Gestiet circa thalamum ferire

Calce galerum;

Concinet faustos Britonas, capacem Confilî mentem Carolinas, Iülum Martium, at patrem minime sequentem

Passibus æquis.

Cum premet gesta & Gulielmi, & Annæ, Invidis ætas tenebris, Camænam Collii, nostra & pariter stupebunt

Sæcla Nepotes.

Bya FRIEND,

A COPY of VERSES on BETTY CLOSE'S coming to the Town, humbly addressed to all Ladies of Pleasure of the Year 1736.

MOURN every Nymph, whom Providence has (left

Who barter Beauty for the Lust of Gold,
And like a Place at Court are to be sold;
To Age, or Impotence, your Charms betray,
A Lump of dull inanimated Clay,
To Sharpers, Coxcombs, 'Prentices, or Beaus,
(For Womenkind have neither Friends, nor Foes)
Exhaust with all your Arts each languid Vein,
"Till not one genial Drop of Lust remain!

Of all, but your Celestial Charms, bereft:

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Fair

[76]

Fair * Presiland comes; inferior Beauties sty!

A Hellen cannot with a Venus vie.

Scatter like Mists before the Rising Sun!

The fairest Nymph will be but last undone.

Clarke must live chaste, and perjur'd † Latimore
Shall cease to clap Mankind, that is—to whore.

Peace to Thy Ashes, fair unhappy Shade!

By Beauty ruin'd, and to Vice betray'd;

Who sell an early Sacrifice to Lust,

And now what once the World ador'd—is Dust.

Here † Delia claims a tributary Tear,

With Frailty modest, tho' a Whore, sincere;

Contented with the Charms that Nature gave,

She made Mankind Her Momentary Slave;

Like forward Fruit was blasted in Her Bloom,

Whose Wit, and Beauty, sound an early Tomb.

[·] Her Husband's Name.

[†] She died this Winter, in the 23d Year of her Age.

[†] Nanny Featherstone, who died this Winter, in the 20th Year of her Age, very much lamented by all Gentlemen of Pleasure.

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Ye Deities! whom perjur'd Lovers flight,

From such a Fate preserve unhappy Knight,

Whose pleasing Form and Merit might suffice,

To charm the sordid Wretch that gain'd the Prize;

Who far from Pity, triumphs in his Guilt,

And boasts o'er Wine the Virgin Blood he spilt.

Now Cox but with diminish'd Rays will shine,
And own fair Presiland's Beauty more divine;
Roberts will curse all Whores, nor spare e'en Carter,
From worn-out Careless to fair Kitty Walker;
Aspiring Antony will drop her Crest,
And condescend for Shillings to be blest.
Thus when bright Venus glides along the Sky,
Celestial Beauties from Her Presence fly,
Immortal Deities Her Charms adore,
And own with Envy Her superior Power.

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Let

Let the Fair Sex, whom peevish Honour calls
To guard their Virtue in Enchanted Walls,
From Her Example learn: When Nature gave
Pride to command, and Beauty to enflave,
She never meant it like the Miser's Store,
To keep in Plenty the Possessor;
But let their Charms shine o'er the conquer'd Ball,
And be Ador'd, Enjoy'd, and Lov'd by All.

When thus apply'd, to whomsoe'er 'tis given, Beauty's the Blessing, else the Curse of Heaven.

In

In Obitum ELIZABETHÆ CLOSE, Salacis Memoriæ.

DECUS Puellarum & Juvenum dolor Me, Closa, poscis tendere barbiton, Manesque carmen luctuosum Sollicitant pretiosiores.

Ministra Divæ sedula Cypriæ

Heu! Closa, vitæ in limine concidis,

Libido cui famam perennema

Idalia peperit palæstra.

Jaces feretro frigida, pallida,

Sed morte in ipsa lubrica conspici;

O præcoci direpta fato!

O Paphio magis apta ludo!.

Videra

Videre flentem jam videor comis

Paffis Ministram, jam manibus piis

Cadaver ornantem cuprefit

Fronde nigra, fragilique myrto.

Amoris olim ô! prodiga, & abstinens

Ducentis ad se cuncta pecuniæ!

Laudanda Pellex! rara Virtus,

Druricolis veneranda Nymphis!

O! fi Senator, fi fimilis tui

Aurum irretorto lumine viderat,

Non gens doleret pressa, rerum et
Candidior remearet ordo.

Vitale flumen dum rosea genas:
Pinxit juventa, pulcrior in tuos
Vix ivit amplexus, Adoni,
Idaliis Erycina lucis.

Vultu

Vultu benigno dum tibi riferit
Fortuna, dum te follicita ambiit
Pubes, & exultans catenis
Molliculis requievit ulnis;

Bartona non te clarior extitit;

Non floruit te Coxa beatior

Quanquam Coventinum per Hortum

Egit Equos volucremque currum;

Quæ nunc decenni trita libidine

Tandem recumbit Conjugis in finu;

Feliciorem te sed atro

Styx novies cohibet fluento.

Heu! cogit omnes dura necessitas:

Formosa multi nominis occidit

Clevelanda, nec Gwynnam valebat

Angliaco placuisse Regi.

Mería

Mersa est acerbo sunere sanguinis

Vanella clari, nec grave spiculum

Averteret sati Machaon,

Nec madido F—— Ore.

Atqui priorum nunc meretricibus

Te, Closa, misces temporum, & Angliane

Ostendis almam mattem Amoris

Posthabità coluisse Cypro;

Te Laïs olim nobilis, invido

Te nata Ledâ lumine confpicit,

Te fumma formâ, fumma fceptro

Niliaci Cleopatra regni.

Te sæpe sanam, semper amabilem Morti vetabit cedere Pieris, Sed sleta, sed secura samæ Per Juvenum volitabis ora.

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I, clara pellex, utere honoribus!
 I, clara pellex, fat tibi vixeris!
 Haywarda te flet, te fidelis
 Befwicius Veneris facerdos.

O umbra felix! temne volubilis

Jam tuta fortis nubila, Drurize

Morbosque spectans & dolores

Elyfiis miserère Campis.

Ad

Ad Thomam G.....

SÆPE mecum follicitudines

Mulcens Lyæi munere candidi

Bacchate, donec fol refurgens

Æthereis radiabat arvis,

Thema meorum prime fodalium!

Ex quo relictis non bene poculis

Arcebar à Granta feroces

Myrmidonum fugiens catervas.

Fortuna fævo læta negotio

Me rure claufit, jam nimium diu!

Dum tu revifis multum amatæ

Fumum, & opes, strepitumque Romæ

Tam

Jam forte felix, quærere distuli

Quo more fallis tempora, nam reor

Te non inertem, sive fontes

Pieriæ studiosus artis

Sanctos recludis, seu Genium mero
Curas sodales inter amabiles,
Seu te virentem suadet æstus
Idalias iterare pugnas.

Fortuna fi nunc ridet amicior,

Condat nitentem mox nebulis diem;

Mortalis ævi horæque pennå

Aufugiunt trepidante folvi:

Ergo caducæ quisquis erit color Vitæ, benignå munera seu manu Fortuna fundat, seu malignå Quæ dederit rapiat; dolores

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Donis

Donis Lyæi pellere Gallici
Memento, sed si disficilis negat
Crumena, succum Lusitanæ
Purpureum bibe gratus uvæ.

Nec herba desit clarus ab ultimis
Vati Ralæus quam bene consulens
Deduxit Indis, Ipse Vates,
Castaliæ decus Ipse turbæ;

Musis, jocoso caraque Libero
O Herba salve! Carmine nobili
Cantata Thori, largè Apollo
Quem gemina decoravit arte.

Ad Gothofredum C.....

R Ectius vivit, Gothofrede, nympham
Qui videt formosam oculo irretorto;
Corda qui gestat Veneris domari

Nescia telis;

Ille securus roseam videri Spectet Howardam, facilesve risus Brownia, vel te, Catharina, pubis

Cura Britannæ.

Integer (fi mens eadem fuisset)

Sylviam fictà caluisse slamma

Senseram, nec surpuerat mihi me

Fulgor Ocelli;

Sec

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Sed parum cautus perii tuendo; Mutuam linguæque fidem voventis Combibi gratum malè fascinatâ

Aure venenum.

Te parens rerum nimio decore Prodiga ornavit; tibi, pulcra pellex, Cederet Daphne peramata Phœbo,

Gnosis Iaccho;

Te fimul pleno, Juvenum, theatro Turba, fulfisti, coluit, secuta est Te nimis latè Cypriæque matris

Signa ferentem.

Anglia plures meditans triumphos Galliam victa celebras, timentque Jam levem nymphæ tua ne retardet

Aura Juventam.

Sis

Sis tamen felix ubicunque vivis!

Immemor quamvis malefida nostri es,
Nec Dionæis cruciata curas

Corda fagittis.

Forfitan te nunc viridem puella Mutua torret, Gothofrede, flamma, Unico gaudens, Paphiæque jam nunc

Cruda palæstræ;

Hanc finu mulces nimiúm fideli Igne languescens, vacuamque credis Fraude, juratos toties timentem &

Fallere Divos;

Perfidam sed mox alio calere
Senties, ventisque fidem dolebis
Traditam, & mollem vario sugatum

Pectore amorem.

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Occupet

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Occupet nomen Juvenis beati Qui manet votis presibulque menches Surdior ponto, atque agitante pentum

Surdior Euro.

Fœmina ô folâ levitate constans!

Me fat unius docuêre fraudes

Quâm graves vel sub placido laterent

Æquore rupes.

Ite spes blandæ teneræque, dulces Ite languores alimenta slammæ! Non Deo cedam redimire amanti

Tempora myrto;

Sed furens fundet quoties libido, Druriæ vel me accipient tabernæ, Aut parúm fanis domus Oliveræ

Nota puellis.

Ad

Ad SEXTUM.

QUI frequentes forte beatior

Maligna quam mî fata negaverint,

Amice, Romam, nocte gaudens

Cum Sociis madidis Lyæo!

Quanquam in remotâ parte Britanniæ Me fors locavit, conspicit exerens Se Phœbus undis & recumbens Usque tui memorem & tuorum.

Nunc forte pellex Incola Druriæ
Vici fagittam mifit ab angulo
Victoriæ fecura, nigro
Crine decens, rofeoque vultu;

Quo te beatum vulnere cogitans Ictus medullas dulce periculum Sectaris, incedens per Ignes Suppositos cineri doloso.

Parcus Diones cultor & infrequens
Libo capaces jam cyathos Deo
Cui Nyfa ridet, cui Falernus,
Et Siculi placuere colles.

Mox læta fuadent munera perfidæ
Oblivionem ducere Sylviæ,
Regina quam fovit Cytheræ
Perniciem Juvenum decoram.

Quàm penè Ocelli languor amabilis,
Collumque certans Threïcia nive
Me victimam duxit volentem
Idalias periturum ad aras!

Sed

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Sed Liber almo numine confulens
Periclitanti, me mihi reddidit,
Præsens Dionæos calores,
Et tetricas removere curas.

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Ad MACRUM.

JAM Granta vanis fat lacrymis dedit,
Tenentque mutas jam falices lyras
Donata quas nuper ciebat
Sera nimis Carelina cœlo.

Si mî dedisset Cynthius Ingenî, Regina, vires, alite surgerem, Ferremque virtutes stupendas Perpetuâ super astra samâ.

Te floruerunt te miserabiles

Musæ secunda (credite Posteri)

Languens & erexit decoram

Religio, tua cura, frontem:

Vates

Vates revinctus tempora laurea,

Dulcisque testis sistula Duckii;

Doctusque Prasul Bristelensis

Grande decus columenque mitræ.

Exosa luxum quid tibi profuit

Regalium & mens deliciarum egens?

Congesta non auri talenta

Multa brevem Dominam sequentur.

Cedis coemptà Socraticà domo,
Villisque purus quas Thamesis lavit;
Antrumque venalis relinquis
Materiam sterilem Camcenæ.

Regina, magnæ fit tamen hoc tui Solamen umbræ: nobilis audies Ecclefiæ tutela, temnens Arbitrium popularis auræ, &

Vindex



Vindex Minervæ strenua; quamdiù
Cami sluentum Pierides colent,
Carmenque Ducki per virorum
Nobilium volitabit ora.

Rumpent sorores stamina luridæ;
Amice, te mox accipiet ratis
Charontis invisa, & subibis
Tartareas levis umbra sedes.

Extractum Avaro quid mifero invides
Thefaurum? inanes quid titulos stupes?
Mutare nec fati tenorem.
Nec valeant relevare curas.

Non est tuum, si sors surit improba,
Insanienti cedere turbini;
Innixus at virtute acerbas
Sperne minas; validum ingruenti

Oppone

Oppone pectus fortiter æquori;
Fugata demùm nubila fenties,
Fluctus recumbent, & nitebit
Mox radio meliore Phœbus.

Hoc pasce mentem consilio, tui
Potensque vivas sorte beatior,
Quam si Tyranni possideres
Divitias operosiores.

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INCERTI AUTHORIS.

Ad RUFILLUM.

QUI potenti fortior Hercule
Nocturna misces prælia! cui Venus
Penem fatigari dolentem, &
Indomitos dedit alma Clunes!

Quæ Thamesis te propter aquas Patris Puella dulci jam sovet in Sinu? Quæ jam Rusilli proruentis In Venerem tolerare Pondus

Virago gaudet? num tibi pinguior

Susanna Pubem subjicit horridam?

An mollis implumem Mariæ

Cunniculum penetrare tentas?

Nim.

Nimis beatus! quem neque Gaudia. Incæpta Lictor rumpere gestions.

Perturbat immitis, vetatve

Appositam tetigisse Vulvam.

Deserta mæret Druria Pellices
Raptas; abactos plus vice famplici
Greges Puellarum Ipla flevit
Needhamia Veneris Sacessics;

Quin & Ministras, Diva potens, tuas
Clausêre diri Carcere Judices;
Et Cannabem trivêre Palmæ
Proh Pudor! ad meliora natæ.

Puella, grato quæ modo verbere
Inguen ciebat non bene pertinax,
Haud ludicrum tandem nefandi
Carnificis timet Ipfa Flagrum.

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Deserta

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Deserta rerum Vulva Parens dolet, Mutatque notas Exilio Domus, Hortosque devitat Jacobi, Et latebras pudibunda quærit.

Ergo furentes irrita Mentulas

Tentigo rumpet? non ita; nam mihi

Quod Vulva non præbet Levamen,

Dextra dabit facilis petenti.

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MERETRICES BRITANNICE.

U A M canam, Lenæe Pater, Puellam Galliæ vinis, Cyathisve Oportæ Fervidus, cujus resonent jocosa

Pocula Nomen?

Aut in obsceenis Druize Tabernis, Aut ubi Vico Rosa Bridgiensi Pullulat Nympham temere insequenti

Nota Juventæ,

Arte materna rigidæ domantem Mentulæ Vires, agilique Clune Et Manu blanda elicere intumenti

Inguine Semen?

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Quid

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Quid prius dicam folitis opimæ Laudibus Guinnæ, Caroli tremendum Quæ manu penem variifque Sceptrum

Geslerat Horis?

Nec tuæ Noctes Tenebris prementur Invidis Cleveland; neque Te filebo Præliis audax, metuenda certo

Vulnere Sally.

Pellices dicam BATAVAS, potentem hanc Parieti obnixis fuperare Lumbis, Hanc Toro, cujus fimul atra Regi

Vulva pateret,

Et Nates Lectum quaterent, Cubile Perfidum magno crepuit Fragore Ruptum, & ingenti tremuêre——

Membr: Payore.

Mox

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Mox retro cedens agitatus Humor Fugit ad sedes pavidus relictas; Et minax (sic Dii voluêre) Regis

Cauda recumbit.

Douglasam post has prius, an quietos Talbotæ mores memorem, an salaces Browniæ Fasces, dubito, an Floïdæ

Nobile Lethum;

Heathias, Howam, nimiumque Linguæ Prodigam Vino superante St. George Gratus undanti referam culullo,

Westberiamque.

Hanc, & incomptis Leviam Capillis Utilem Rixæ tulit, atque Hoperam Sæva Paupertas dubiique Patris

Tetra Libido.

Crescit

Crescit occultum Luis ut Venenum Gumliæ Nomen, micat inter omnes Fama Dav'nportæ veluti Tabernas

Luna minores.

Alma Scortorum Drutie Custos
Orta Neptuno! tibi Cura pulchise
Carlesis Fatis data, su secunda

Carlese regno:

Illa, seu pubem senuit estenis
Pulvere albentes humeros amictem,
Indiæ aut Navis domuit Magistrum

Merce beature

Te minor nostro dominetur, Orbi, Læta tu Sedes Paphias revises, Dum tuis Illa Auspiciis Britannum

Subjicit Orbem.

A. A. ad J. K. M. D. Epithalamium.

K—, ni mendax mihi falsa mittit
Friendus, ex mœcho fieri maritus
Cogeris, partemque agit usitatæ

Pellicis Uxor.

Quidni ego læter tibi gratulari
Conjugi Conjux? Ego qui reliqui,
Connub? Caufà, Patriam Domumque ux-

orius Exul.

Dum Sales spargunt lepidi Sodales Te super vel me, cuperem interesse Magna pars Risus; sed ab hoc acerba

Lege remotus

Per-

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Perfruer dulci allequio pudice:

Osculis sponse placidoque vultu,

Nec vidit sponsum mage amantem amatumve

Ætherius Sol.

Mille mî præter Paphia in palæstra Gaudia; at quod tu ingredière castra, Quæ suit Causa ante Helenam duelli,

Unica Causa est.

Estne qui cunctos quot amant Mathesia Inter, ô Ductor Gregis, estne qui Te Rectius novit, vel acutiori

Lustrat Ocello

Siderum Motus? Tibi fi qua proles Nascitur, quicquid minitentur Aftra, Quid ferant læti, docilis suturi

Ante videbis.

Et

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Et tuos fi quis Thalamos Adulter Scandere optaret, vetet Ars & Æther Improbos Ausus, & inermis effo, &

Incolumis Frons.

Quare age, & totis licitò Diebus

Noctibus totis Veneri litato,

Nullum opus Sylvæ, aut recubare fabter

Tegmina Fagi.

Interim quicquid Vetulæ aut Puellæ

Garriant, ne te Jecur intus angat:

Sed domi fistens, ede, Iude, pota, &

Temne quod ultra est

Sis amans Sponsæ, & mea si valent quid

Vota, fis felix: fed iniqua fi fors

Dempferit primam; mora nulla, Sponfam

Sume secundam.

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Est (ubi nôsti) bene pasta Virgo, Cuilibet sat par oneri ferendo; Ipse quam, sed ms meliora Divi,

Ducere rebar.

Hanc cape, & nostro ex loculo repente Æra bis centum accipies & ultra: Neminem tali nisi te Procorum

Dete beabo.

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E Senatorum Numero inferendum

Sponte fuffragor: Quis enim loquendi

Artibus pollet magis, aptiorvè est

Condere Leges?

Sed per immensum Oceanum, & Liquores

Mille fulcanda est via: multa Fumi

Nubila erumpent, fluitansque Rivo

Alla perenni.

Quo salutandi Titulo modoque Ordines nosti Procerum, ambiendus Quo sit aut Sartor Laniusve Ritu,

Forte docendus.

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Dexteram

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Dexteram Dextræ, sed onustam inani Junge, (Res magni!) neque fastuosus Temne nudato Capite anto tectos

Stare Colonos.

Disce Responsum rude, disce Scomma Perpeti, & Plebem stupidè insolentem, Forsque narrantem graviora veris

Crimina de te.

Quos tibi vinum potiorvè Pellex
Junxerit, Fratres sapiens adopta;
Sed Patrem ante omnes venerare Brownum,

Brownigenosque.

Proderit multûm Jocus, & jocari Scito te, cum das Colaphum, datumvê Sustines gnarê, patuloque tollis

Ore Cachinnum.

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Quid pudens Virgo, quid & impudica

Expetit, notum tibi sat superque:

Hæ tibi ad partes, (facilis vocața

Turba!) vocentur.

Basium si fors Anus optat, ah! ne Respuas; nam quot Vetule salaci, Gaudia impertis, tibi tot rependet.

Grata Trineptis.

Hee Ego vestri studiosus usque Commodi raptim Documenta mitto: Quid Senatorem decet, ornat, effert,

Post moniturus.

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Follum

Festum Lustrale, sive Baptizatio Rustica.

Solennes ritus, puerumque aspergine lymphæ Sacratum superis, obstetricemque facetam,

Hic canere incipimus: Faveat Lucina canenti;

Tuque harum adjutrix curarum & conscia Juno!

Jam decima humentes aurora fugaverat umbras, Ex quo maternis infans vagisset in ulnis:
Nec mora, vicini coeunt; jam dedita ventri
Pars puerum sacrà properant conspergere lymphà.
Intereà pendent opera interrupta, ligeque
Stat medio defixus agro, spinosaque sepes
Semiputata manus agrestis poscit; at ille
Jam parat, ut sociis cultus conviva colonis
Intersit; juvat hunc disponere in ordine crines;
Compositum conjux aptat collare marito.

Nec

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Nec minus ipla fibi curat fus spansa, tumentes
Constringit vinelis costas, fingitque premendo;
Quamque suis nevit manibus, circumdata lana est.
Componit vestes, tremulumque in vertice conum
Erigit, & farris conspergit pulvere crimes.

Pars pedes ire parat campis; parsque ardua tardis
Fertur equis; unâque armati calce fatigant
Quadrupedes; lumbos onerat pinguissima conjux:
Post equitem cura alma sedens, similisque cadenti,
Sæpe premit tutum tremebunda ad pectora sponsum:
Ille sibi pondus commissium reddere terræ.
Gaudet, & optatas tandem contingere portas.

Jam subeunt thalamum, sociasque puerpera matres
Excipit; illa humeros albo velamine cincta est,
Et sedet in molli plumis susfulta sedili.
Matronæ spectant puerum; juvat ora tueri,
Et versare manu, nasumque agnoscere patris,
Majorumque genas, & blandos matris ocellos.

Tunc

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Tunc avia has rumpit placido de pectore voces:
Si patrem memini puerum, fic ora ferebat,
Et fic ridebat teneris nutricis in ulnis.
Altera spes aviæ surgas, meliora parente
Arva colas, mediaque olim luctator arena
Subvertas juvenes; tum parto indute galero
Ibis ovans, tacitosque accendes Phyllidis ignes.
At si larga meis slavescat messis in arvis,
Nostraque longævo placeat sententia sponso,
Tu nunquam attrito proscindas arva ligone,
Nec subigas tauros; sed grandior Aldermannus
Urbani incedes tardus post pondera sceptri.

Laudant propositum matres, & provida Mopsa Destinat æquævæ jam nunc connubia natæ.

Tandem procedunt matres, quas intereuntes Infantem manibus gestat Lucina tenellum,

Quem

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Quem circumfuso nutrix ornaverat ostro,
Demissaque stola pedibus, qua Battus & omnes
A Batto soliti natos decorare recentes.
Tum subeunt templum, sacrumque ex ordine sontem
Supplicibus cingunt genibus, gelidamque sacerdos
Spargit aquam, puero nomenque imponit avitum.
Flet puer, & vetulæ gaudentes omine sausto
Non dubitant longam ex sletu prædicere vitam.

At domus interea luxu decoratur agresti:

Disponunt famuli lances, luteasque patellas,
Ornamenta abaci veteris, qui mole sua stat
Ligno compositus sculpto. Tum lintea mensæ,
Lintea siculnis imponunt candida quadris.
Pendula detergunt, quæ fixit aranea, sila;
Bibliaque à nitidis tollunt antiqua senestris,
Durseique modos, quos roserat esuriens mus.
Idem ardor servos stimulat, ques cura culinæ,
Accendunt ignem, verubusque affigere longis

Terga

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Terga bovis properant, manibulque calentia verfant. Parte alia tepidum fumos emittit ahenum. O genti alituum lux exitiofa! Columba Amissios queritar techorum in culmine scetus: Solaque neclectos errat gallina per hortos.

Illi cura penum struere, & spectabile pruno Hæc miscet fartum; farrisque hæc mænia condit. Illà parte puer cultros in limine primo Exacuit; multa absistit scintilla metallo: Fervet opus, suavi redolet nidore culina.

Hæc inter famuli variè properantur, & omnis Jam redit à templo conviva, epulisque paratis Accumbit tacitus; primâque in sede locatur Obstetrix, crassoque gemit sub pondere sella, Plena ipsa; tunc illa bovis fumantia terga Desecat in partes varias, mensamque per omnem. Mittit, & agrestes dapibus lætantur opimis, Vinaque de pleno ducunt pomacea cornu Digity of by Google

Ridentes,

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Ridentes, & fæpe calix redit actus in orbem Exhilarans animos, & corda oblita laborum.

Jam, Lucina, tui gliscunt incendia nasi, Et linguâ incessis tardos mordace maritos, Ultra annos vultumque gerens, animumque sacetum:

Ludit filiolus, nec dulcis filia, patrem

Quæ recreet placidis redeuntem vespere nugis,

Mistaque colloquiis puerillbus oscula jungat.

Vos multi pueri, multæ sprevere puellæ,

Dum luget vacuos prudens matrona penates.

O utinam segnes premeret lex æqua maritos!

Floreat ille pater, qui natis computat annos.

Finierat; calicemque arenti gutture plenum

Siccat, & hoc hausto nondum satiata recedit;

Interiore domo matresque oblectat hiantes,

Secreta obscuris pandens mysteria verbis,

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Et steriles damnans campos: procul ité puelle, Fas nulli innupta Lucinæ audire labores.

Non pudet opprobriis sponsos illudere, culpas Vicinæ arcanas alio sub nomine celat,

Fœmineamque jubet præstare silentia turbam.

Exuit interea vestes, cunisque reponit

Infantem nutrix. En parvum machina lectum

Continet objectu laterum; mirabere costad

Vimine candendi textas, & pensile tegmen

Obductum capiti, lædat ne pulvis ocellos,

Subjectosque pedes, quels machina mobilis und

Itque reditque vid, somnumque invitat eundo.

Flet puer interea, cantat blandissima nutrix,

Atque impersectis lallat cunale loquelis.

Nec potis est molli sletum compescere cantu,

Quin puerum è cunis tollat, mammasque ministret,

Suppeditetve cibum, proprio quem versat in ore

Ipsa prius, gustuque alieno pascitur infans.

Haud

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Haud aliten frages displesses colligit arvis

Ales, & ore refest publis or pricantibus, illi

Escam avide captant, & bianti gutture condunt.

At juvenes, puero dederant qui nomina, libant Oscula virginibus repetita; est slamma medullas Mollis, & innocuos læti meditantur amores.

Agricolæ multà traherent convivia nocte,
Ni jam suaderent sulgentia sidera somnos.

Surgunt convivæ; Corydon tamen ipse moratur,
Continuatque scyphos; sedet, æternumque sedebit,
Ni moveat solitas conjux sidissima lites.

Discedunt hilares; baculo hic vestigia sirmat,
Conjugis implicitam tenet ille uxorius ulnam.

Tum pater exultans dictis compellat euntes; Ite, valete omnes! tandem redeunte Decembri,

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(Ni fallar) pulchram pariet mea Lydia natam,
Vosque reversuro sessum renovabitis anno.
Rident matronæ, votisque his omnia sirmant,
"Stet domus, & simili frondescat prole quotannis.

To the Author, on the Ladies Subscription for His English Poems.

OW shall the Muse a grateful Tribute bring, Or Numbers worthy of their Favour sing! Who, touch'd with Pity at a Friend's Distress, Have, by their Bounty, made his Sorrow less.

Since Blooming Beauties of the British Isle Will condescend to cast on Wit a Smile,

Let Petit-maitres languish in Despair,

Nor longer boast the Favours of the Fair.

Now Shakespeare's Scenes by Modern Belles revive, And teach the charming Sex with Taste to live; Impartial Reason will Their Actions guide, And make each Blushing Maid a Happy Bride.

Gay

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Gay Toasts shall learn to slight Embroider'd Beaus,
And chuse a Husband for his Sense,—not—Cloaths,

In vain mad Poets boast the Sacred Nine,
Implore their Aid each Sentence to refine,
Except the Fair their flowing Verse approve,
And learn from moving Strains the Art of Love.

E'en *Phæbus*' felf might wish his Lyre unstrung, Since *Daphne* wou'd not listen when He sung.

Your Muse has met a more Auspicious Fate,
To please, tho' finking under Fortune's Weight;
For sure that Book must be secure of Fame,
Which bears a Portland's and a Dashwood's Name.

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The Story of ARISTEUS, Translated from the Fourth Georgic of VIRGIL.

AD Aristaus left fair Tempe's Field, His Bees (as Fame reports) by Famine kill'd, Fait by old Peneus' facred Fount he stood, And thus befpake the Daughter of the Flood: Mother Cyrene, deep whose Dwelling lies Beneath these Waves conceal'd from mortal Eves. If (as thou boaftest) sprung from Race divine, And Phæbus be the Author of my Line, Why am I thus by adverse Fates oppress'd? Is Love quite banish'd from my Mother's Breast? Why didst thou promise me the bright Abodes, And bid me hope to mingle with the Gods? Since thus distress'd I breathe the vital Air, In vain my Flocks and Fields engag'd my Care;

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My Hopes, by Labour rais'd, forlorn I see,
And mourn my Glory lost, though sprung from thee.
Let loose thy Rage, my Herd with Plagues destroy,
With nipping Blasts my tender Fruit annoy,
Lay waste my Vineyards, and my Harvests burn,
If thus my growing Fame provokes thy Scorn.

Cyrene heard, with Nymphs encircl'd round,

The Voice of Mourning pierce the vast Profound;

The Wheel employ'd their Hours, each Distaff fraught

With purple Wool, from rich Miletus brought;

Drymo and Xantho, and Lygea fair,

And young Phyllodoce with flowing Hair,

Thalia blooming, Spio bright as Day,

Nesae fost, Cymodice the gay,

Cydippe and Lycorias, one remains

A Maid, and one had felt a Mother's Pains,

Clio and Beroe both from Ocean sprung,

Embroider'd Mantles o'er their Shoulders hung,

Opis

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Opis the beauteous, Ephyre the cold, Deïopeïa graceful to behold. And Arethusa once that lov'd the Wood, But now an azure Goddess of the Flood. To these Clymene sung, in tuneful Strains, The pleasing Thests of Mars, and Vulcan's fruitless Pains, And all the Loves of ev'ry God made known, From ancient Chaos down to Saturn's Son. While thus the Wheel they ply'd, she held the Throng Fix'd in Attention to the warbled Song: Again the Sound invades the moist Retreats, Aghast the Nymphs forsake their chrystal Seats; But Arethusa rear'd her beauteous Head Above the Waves, and thus from far she said: Sifter, thy Fears maternal Fondness show, Not strange the Voice, nor common is the Woe; Thy Aristaus, once thy chiefest Care, A Prey to Grief, and frantic with Despair,

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On Peneus' Banks now stands with streaming Eyes, And calls thee cruel with repeated Cries. To whom Cyrene mov'd by fresh Alarms; Quickly, oh! quickly give him to my Arms, Safely the Youth deriv'd from heavenly Strain, May view the Secrets of our wat'ry Reign. This faid, at once she bade the Waves divide; The Waves obsequious form on either Side A liquid Wall; the Youth with Awe descends, And to his Mother's rocky Palace tends Through Groves of Coral Walks, and with Amaze The Wonders of the liquid Realms furveys: He hears the Waters roar with vast Surprize, And views the Springs whence mighty Rivers rife: Phasis and Lycus hence derive their Stores, Here in his Urn profound Enipsus roars; Here yellow Tybur rears his awful Head, And Anio murmurs in his oozy Bed:

Supplies

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Supplies to Hypanis this Fountain yields, From that Caicus leaves fair Mysia's Fields: Here horn'd Eridanus first draws his Source, The King of Floods, tumultuous in his Course, Than whom no Stream more rapid cleaves the Plain. Or rolls a larger Tribute to the Main. Soon as he reach'd the Chamber arch'd with Stone, And to his penfive Mother told his Moan, The Nymphs attendant finest Towels bring, And draw pure Waters from their hallow'd Spring; The loaded Board beneath the Banquet bends, The Altar's Smoak in fragrant Clouds ascends. Cyrene now begins the Rites divine, And to old Ocean pours Meonian Wine; She then invokes the Nymphs that haunt the Woods, Or keep the fecret Caverns of the Floods: With Wine she sprinkl'd thrice the sacred Fire, Thrice to the Roof the crackling Flames aspire:

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Pleas'd with fo fair a Sign, Cyrene chears Her mournful Son, and thus dispels his Fears: Where the Carpathian Billows roll their Tides. Proteus a venerable Seer resides: Borne in his Car he fweeps the briny Plains, And scaly Coursers hearken to his Reins: Now to Emathia's Port his Way he bends, Or to his native Shore Pallene tends: To him we Nymphs religious Homage pay, And ancient Nereus owns his mighty Sway. He knows things prefent can the past relate, And what lies rip'ning in the Womb of Fate; Such Neptune's Will, whose finny Herds he keeps, And feeds the various Monsters of the Deeps. With Force furprize, and urge him to disclose The latent Spring from whence thy Trouble flows. Without Constraint He never lends his Aid, No Prayers can move Him, and no Gifts persuade.

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To bind him fast, thy utmost Care employ. Superior Force will all his Wiles destroy. Soon as the mid-day Sun inflames the Sky, And Flocks from thirsty Plains to Covert fly, Then will I lead thee to the dark Abode, Where stretch'd in Sleep reclines the drowzy God. But He when fetter'd, to excite thy Fear, In Shapes of diff'rent Monsters will appear: Now rage a Tyger, and now foam a Boar ; Now his a Serpent, now a Lion roar, Or strive in Flames his Freedom to regain, Or slide in running Waters from the Chain, But while He tries, all Arts undaunted stand, And strain his Fetters with a stricter Hand. 'Till He resumes the Form without Disguise, Such as when Sleep first sate upon his Eyes. She spoke, and pour'd Ambrosia on his Head, Soon through each Joint the heav'nly Fragrance spread,

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Unusual Brightness in his Aspect shone, And his Limbs felt a Vigour not their own. Deep in a Mountain's Side a Cavern lay. Beneath whose Brow the Waters form a Bay. Where Ships by Tempests toss'd securely ride, Scorn the rough Winds, and brave the angry Tide. The Goddess here conceal'd her Son from View, While she, involv'd in sable Clouds, withdrew. The raging Dog-star parch'd the Indian Plains, The wither'd Herbage call'd for cooling Rains; The Noon-tide Sun intenfely shot his Beams, And scorch'd the Mud beneath the deepest Streams: When Proteus, to avoid the fult'ry Heat, Sought the known Covert of his cool Retreat; The scaly Monsters sport around his Car, And from their Nostrils spout the briny Dews afar. Soon on the Shore diffolv'd in Sleep they lie, While He surveys them with a careful Eye:

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Thus on a rifing Hillock, to behold His fleecy Care returning to the Fold, The Shepherd stands, when Lambs at Close of Day With bleating Cries provoke the Wolf to prey. Scarce was the Prophet funk in fost Repose, But Aristaus from his Ambush rose: Shouting he rush'd with Chains his Limbs t' invade; The wily Seer his usual Arts assay'd; Now to a Beast transforms his various Shape; Now strives in Fire, or Water, to escape. Subdu'd at length, his magic Force was broke, And, to Himself returning, thus He spoke: What Pow'r, rash Youth, impell'd thee to explore My dark Retreat, unknown to Man before? Thus unappall'd with Dread the Youth reply'd; Prophet, thou know'st my Bus'ness, and my Guide: No mortal Art can wary Proteus cheat; Own thy self vanquish'd, and forego Deceit:

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By Heav'ns Command I come to feek thy Aid, And learn the Cause from whence my Bees decay'd. Thus faid the Youth: - The Prophet glow'd with Ire, And roll'd his Eyes, that darted livid Fire: Then thus indignant spoke the Voice of Fate. Some God pursues thee with uncommon Hate: Great-are thy Crimes; unless the Fates oppose The Pray'rs of Orpheus, great will be thy Woes: For thy Offence the guiltless Poet dy'd, At thee He rages for his murder'd Bride; For while the Nymph, to fave her spotless Charms. And shun Pollution, fled thy lustful Arms, Along the River Side her Course she held, Nor faw the Snake beneath the Grass conceal'd. Her Fellow Nymphs on Thracia's frozen Shore: All bath'd in Tears her sudden Fate deplore; The Getes and Thracians melt in tender Woe, And the cold Streams of Heber mournful flow.

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All o'er the naked Beach forlorn He strays, And vents his Grief in fadly-moving Lays; . On lost Eurydice his Song depends, Which with the Day begins, and with it ends. Fearless He seeks the Mansions void of Light, The Regions wrapp'd in everlafting Night, Where Ghosts abide, and grisly Pluto reigns, Who ever deaf to human Pray'rs remains. As through the dreary Gloom He pass'd along, The gath'ring Spectres liften'd to his Song: Not Birds, when forc'd by Night or wint'ry Storms, Fly to the Woods in half fuch num'rous Swarms: Babes, Virgins, Matrons, and the Warrior's Shade, Charm'd by his Musick, thicken o'er the Glade; Cocytus these encloses all around, Black Mud, and nauseous Weeds, pollute the Ground, The Waves of Styx in fable Mazes glide, And thrice three times around 'em rolls their baleful Tide.

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The lulling Sweetness of his heav'nly Strains Chear'd for a while the melancholy Plains; The Furies' Snakes in painted Ringlets play, Of Rage disarm'd the triple Monster lay; Ixion charm'd, forgets his Pains to feel, And stops the rapid Motion of his Wheel. From Danger fafe He leaves the Realms of Night, And with his much-lov'd Wife returns to Light; She follows close behind him still unseen, Such were the Orders of the Stygian Queen. Just on the Confines of the upper Skies He cast on fair Eurydice His Eyes; Small Fault! ev'n Pluto might that Fault forego, If aught like Pity mov'd the Gods below. Vain were his Toils, and vain the Contract made, Thrice roll'd the Thunder through the dreary Shade. Then thus the Nymph: What Madness urg'd thee on? Ill-fated Man, alas! we're both undone:

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The Fates recall me to the nether Skies, And Sleep eternal feals my swimming Eyes. A long, and last Farewel! I'm thine no more, Torn from thy Arms, I feek the Stygian Shore. This faid, like Smoak she vanish'd from his Sight. Rapt to the Shades of everlasting Night. Quick from her rofy Cheeks the Life-blood fled, She cross'd the Stream, and mingl'd with the Dead. Unmov'd by Pray'rs relentless Charon stood. Nor more would waft Him o'er the Stygian Flood. And now what moving Story can He tell? What Strains invent to footh the Pow'rs of Hell? Full Sev'n long Moons He rov'd o'erwhelm'd with Woe, Where Strymon's Waves in chrystal Windings flow; The foften'd Tygers round the Poet play, And bending Oaks hang list'ning to his Lay: Thus, when a Swain has robb'd her of her Young, Sad Philomela chaunts her plaintive Song;

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All Night her tuneful Sorrow fills the Glade, And warbles mournful through the Poplar Shade. A defert, solitary Life He led, Cold to the Transports of the genial Bed; O'er Thracia's Mountains, ever white with Snows, Or o'er the Fields where filver Tanais flows, Lonely He roam'd, unmov'd by Beauty's Charms, And mourn'd his Love twice ravish'd from his Arms. Fir'd with Revenge, the Baubanalian Throng Rush'd on the Bard, regardless of his Song; His mangl'd Limbs they scatter'd o'er the Plain. Deaf to his Cries, and careless of his Pain. Then from his snowy Neck his Head they tore, Which on it's Waves Oeagrian Heber bore: Eurydice, the Subject of his Song, In dying Accents trembled on his Tongue. Eurydice, with feeble Voice He cry'd, Eurydice the echoing Banks reply'd.

Thus

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Thus Proteus spake; then in the vast Profound He plung'd, and dash'd the foamy Waves around. Cyrene staid; her Son she thus address'd, And banish'd Fear and Sorrow from his Breast. From hence thy Troubles spring, the Sylvan Train For this Misdeed thy Bees with Plagues have slain; With Pray'rs and Gifts the angry Nymphs affwage, For Pray'rs and Gifts will foon appeale their Rage. But first attentive hearken to my Lore, And with these Rites th' offended Pow'rs adore: Select Four lufty Bulls of choicest Breed, Which on Lycaus' verdant Summit feed; Four Heifers chuse, unconscious of the Wain, And raise Four Altars in the lofty Fane; From the flain Victims pour the facred Blood, And leave their Bodies in the shady Wood: When Morn has nine times streak'd the East with Day, To Orpheus' Shade Lethean Poppies pay.

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To calm his Bride (for thus has Fate decreed)
A fatted Calf, and fable Ewe must bleed;
That done, returning seek the Wood-land Shade;
Cyrene order'd, and the Youth obey'd.
With duteous Steps He to the Grove repairs,
The Temple visits, and the Altars rears:
He took Four lusty Bulls of choicest Strain,
And Heisers Four that never knew the Wain;
On the Ninth Morn the Off'ring due He paid
To Orpheus' injur'd Ghost, and sought the Wood-land (Shade.

Behold! a fudden Prodigy appears:
The humming Sound of Bees invades his Ears,
From the torn Bowels iffuing through the Sides,
The living Cloud the yielding Air divides;
Then to a neighb'ring Tree tenacious clung,
And from the Boughs in yellow Clusters hung,

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BION'S ADONIS Translated.

Mourn Adonis, now alas! no more,
His helpless Fate the plaintive Loves deplore;
Stripp'd of thy gaudy Robes, O Venus rise,
And shake the balmy Slumber from thine Eyes;
Melting in Woe, unhappy Goddess, tell,
How soon the sweet, the sair Adonis sell.

I mourn Adonis, now alas ! no more,
His hapless Fate the plaintive Leves deplere.

Adonis lies all welt'ring in his Gore,
On the bleak Mountains wounded by a Boar;
Slow roll his Eye-balls in his sleepy Head,
Liseless He seeks the Mansions of the Dead;

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From his fair Face the rofy Beauties fly,
Fade in his Cheek, and languish in his Eye,
Yet still with Love Cythera's Goddess glows,
And lavish Kisses on his Corse bestows;
Vain is her Love, and vain the Heavenly Kiss,
He lies all senseless of the balmy Bliss.

I mourn, Adonis, now alas! no more, His bapless Fate the plaintive Loves deplere.

Deep in his Thigh descends the thrilling Smart,
But deeper far in Cytherea's Heart.
His much-lov'd Dogs around their Master yelt,
Snatch'd prematurely to the Shades of Hell;
The Dryads melt in sympathetic Woe,
Tears down their Cheeks in pearly Riv'lets flow,
And Venus, mindful of her former Loves,
With Hair dishevell'd wanders through the Groves,

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And while with naked Soal she treads the Ground Her silver Feet the prickly Briars wound, Her seeble Voice along the Vallies dies,

As she invokes his Shade with piercing Cries;

Wide gapes the Wound inflicted by the Boar,
His snowy Thigh is ting'd with purple Gore.

Venus alas! the Loves bewailing cry,

Her fading Beauties with Adonis die,

Now fair Adonis lies among the Dead,

Her Graces languish, and her Charms are fled,

The Hills and Woods their sad Disorder show,

The mourning Riv'lets roll in Streams of Woe;

While in the Pangs of Death Adonis lay,

Their silent Grief the sick'ning Flow'rs betray;

Fair Cytherea wails in doleful Sounds,

From Hills, from Woods the woful Dirge rebounds.

Dead

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Dead is Adonis, rueful Venus cries; Dead is Adenis, Echo sad replies. Frantic with Grief as Cytherea spy'd The streaming Gore run trickling down his Side, She rear'd her Arms in Bitterness of Woe, And from her Tongue these mournful Accents flow: Ah! let thy Arms around my Body twine, Once more, my Dear, in close Embraces join; The last, the sweetest, living Kiss bestow, Before you feek the gloomy Realms below; The Kiss shall treasur'd in my Heart remain, And bring a short Oblivion of my Pain, While torn from Me, from Pleasure, Life and Light, You feek the pitchy Mansions of the Night. I feem All-pow'rful, yet implore Relief, And Immortality augments my Grief. Goddess, who rul'st the Regions void of Day (For far o'er mine extends thy pow'rful Sway)

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O! let Adonis safe from Harms abide,
And in Elysium's happy Fields reside.

Worn out with Grief the Dregs of Life I drain,
And wail my much-lov'd Youth untimely slain;
My Love, my Joys, like airy Dreams, are sled;
I lie abandon'd in a Widow's Bed;
The Cestus once so prevalent in Love,
And all the Charms I boasted useless prove.

How could thy Youth to chace the Boar presume?
Ill suits the Hunter's Toil with Beauty's Bloom!
Thus Venus pour'd her unaffected Moan,
And the sad Loves return'd her Groan for Groan.

Lamenting Venus near Adonis stood,
One pour'd a Tide of Tears, and One of Blood,
Streight rising Flow'rs their flagrant Buds disclose,
Hence sprung Anemone, and hence the Rose.

I mourn

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I mourn Adonis, now alas! no more,

O Venus, cease in Woods thy Husband to deplore.

Now fair Adonis ceases to be thine, Stretch'd on a Couch Adonis lies supine, Fair He appears, and charms though void of Breath, His Beauty glows, revives, and blooms in Death. Clad in those Robes the breathless Charmer lay In which with thee He lov'd the Night away. To grace Adonis, flow'ry Chaplets bring, And layish all the Beauties of the Spring. For Him the Roles shed their purple Pride, For Him the Lillies hung their Heads and dy'd. Around his Bier the facred Myrtle spread, And fragrant Oil, and balmy Unguents shed; You touch'd with Grief those roseat Balms despise, Alas! your fov'raign Balm Adonis dies.

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His hapless Fate the Loves bewail, and tear
The graceful Ringlets of their waving Hair,
Lamenting Accents melt on ev'ry Tongue,
Their Shafts are blunted, and their Bows unftrung;
One Water cool in golden Chargers brings,
One fans Adon's with his filken Wings.

While Grief, O Venas, bids thy Tears to flow, The rueful Loves participate thy Woe; The Nuptial Taper's fainting Lights decay, And all the genial Garlands fade away.

Hymen no more repeats his mirthful Strains, In mournful Notes the wretched God complains. Behold each Grace o'erwhelm'd with Grief appears, The fad, the pious Partners of her Tears, How fair Adonis dy'd they doleful tell, And strive in Grief Dione to excel.

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Ev'n the relenting Fates His Death deplore,
The Fates whom Sorrow never touch'd before;
But all in vain! stern Proserpine remains
Deaf to their Woe, and sweet-resounding Strains.
Cease, Cytherea, thou hast wept thy Due;
But ev'ry Year thy pious Tears renew.

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PSALM CXIV. Translated.

HEN happy Ifrael freed from flavish Toil Forfook the barb'rous Regions of the Nile, His Sanctity on Judah brightly shone, Israel rejoyc'd his Majesty to own; Aftonish'd Ocean from his Glory fled, Recoiling Fordan fought his oozy-Bed; Like Rams the Mountains skip along the Ground, Like sportive Lambs the little Hillocks bound. Why did'st thou, Ocean, hide thy fearful Head? Why did'st thou, Jordan, seek thy oozy Bed? Why did ye skip, ye Mountains high, like Rams? Why did ye bound, ye little Hills, like Lambs? Tremble thou, Earth, with reverential Fear, Tremble thou, Earth, when Jacob's God is near, Who forc'd the Rock to stagnate in the Field, And the rough Flint a living Spring to yield.

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On the Death of the Reverend Mr. Journ BINGHAM, Student of Christ-Church, Oxford. By T. GILBERT, A. M. Fellow of Peter-house in Cambridge.

Erat Homo ingeniofus, acutus, acer, qui plurimum & falis baberet, & fellis; nes condoris minus. Plin. Epik.

Hough vain the tributary Tears we shed For Friends in Exile, or untimely dead, When Men, distinguish'd for their Merit, die, The Muses love to fing their Elegy, In humble Strains the mourisful Theme pursue, And give to Friendship rigid Virtue's Due: What honest Nature dictates, void of Art, With Eyes o'erstowing, and a bleeding Heart,

Free

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Free from the labour'd Ornament of Verse, Shall pay the Tribute due to BINGHAM's Hearfe. Oh! could these Lines, illustrious Shade, restore Life to those Virtues, which are now no more, E'en Conybeare would bless the Sacred Nine, And own their Inspiration was divine. In Dawn of Life so strong thy Merit shone, Mankind could scarce expect a brighter Noon. Sure Oxford univerfal Sorrow wears, And Isis' Stream encreases with her Tears! Such was her Grief when MILTON's * Son expir'd, A rifing Genius by the World admir'd. Too partial Fate will let the Fool and Knave Drag in Contempt their Beings to the Grave; But, like a Tyrant, labours to destroy All that excel in Worth, or give us Joy, Who shine like Meteors glorious in their Birth, But foon in blazing Ruins fink to Earth.

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So good MARCELLUS perish'd in his Bloom. The rising Hope, and Ornament of Rome, With ev'ry thining Quality adorn'd, Like thee, by Men of Worth, and Virtue, mourn'd. What Art can reach, or Science can define Among Philosophers or Wits to shine, Without the help of Flattery was Thine; Youth's giddy Sons, or Age feverely wife, From thy sweet Converse could instructed rise; A Genius for all Parts of Learning fit, Bless'd with strong Judgment, and a ready Wit; Whose rare Abilities would Envy move, Had not his sweet Behaviour won our Love. Firm to his Principles, to Honour just, Faithful as guardian Angels to their Trust; He gave his Friends and Enemies their Due. Above their Censure, and their Praises too. Severe in Morals, honest without Art. An able Head, and uncorrupted Heart;

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Posses'd of little with a chearful Mind. Enjoying Life, and yet in Death refign'd, The gay Tranquillity, the Heart-felt Joy, Beyond the Pow'r of Fortune to destroy; The Best Companion, the fincerest Friend, Rever'd in Life, lamented in his End. How few like Him in early Youth approv'd! Admir'd by Enemies, by Friends belov'd: Such is the Merit of an honest Fame, And fuch the Character his Virtues claim.-Sometimes in Converse o'er the Mid-night Bowl, When Wine unfolds the Secrets of the Soul, When absent Friends our grateful Thoughts engage, Or Beauties that adorn, and charm this Age, Thy facred Image damps my rifing Mirth, And gives to fad Reflections hateful Birth, Imagination paints the Pleasure past; But so refin'd a Blis could never last!

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On ev'ry Word each Guest enraptur'd hung,
And bless'd the Genius that inspir'd thy Tongue.

Now Women, Wine, nor Mirth have Pow'r to move,
The Friend that shares my Soul, or Nymph I love,
Thy dear Remembrance strikes my troubl'd Mind,
And casts all other Pleasures sar behind.

But here the pensive Muse resigns her Pen,
And weeps no longer o'er the best of Men.

PSALM

PSALM CXXXVII. Translated.

AD and forlorn near Babylen we lay, Where limpid Streams in Chrystal Mazes play, Strong in our Minds unhappy Sien role, And brought a fresh Remembrance of our Wors; Our filent Harps on mournful Willows hung. Mute were our Voices, and our Harps unflungs. The scornful Victors load our Limbs with Chains, Infult our Anguish, and deride our Pains; With Taunts they cry'd, "Repeat a mirthful Air, 66 Such as was fung in Sier, once the fair," Optive, abandon'd, in a foreign Land,... How can we answer this unjust Demand? How can we praise the Lord in joyful Strains, Where Sadness pines, and mad Confusion reigns? O Salem, ever woful! ever dear! If I forget thee through a dastard Fear,

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Let my ungrateful Hand forget to play, And tune the Chords responsive to my Lay: If I with Trouble or with Care oppress'd Should blot thy lovely Image from my Breaft, May I forget the Melody of Song, And lafting Silence dwell upon my Tongue. On that dire Day when hostile Squadrons stood Breathing Revenge, and thirsting for our Blood, Remember, Lord, how swoln with envious Pride, Enflam'd with Ire the Sons of Edom cry'd; Call forth your Rage, the stately Walls confound. And raze the goodly Structures to the Ground. Devoted Babylon! thy lofty Wall, The Source of all our Woes, is doom'd to fall; That Prince shall Fame, eternal Fame acquire, Who lays thy City waste with Sword and Fire, And deaf to Children's Cries, and Parents' Moans, Shall dash thy bleeding Infants on the Stones.

The Seventh ODE of the Fourth Book of HORACE imitated.

To a FRIEND.

Their genial Verdure, and the Myrtles bloom:
The Streams, by wint'ry Torrents swoln, subside,
Kiss the moist Banks, and in their Channels glide:
The Fair, invited by approaching Spring,
Shine in the Mall, or sparkle in the Ring.
The rolling Year instructs you Life to scan,
And not extend your Hopes beyond your Span.
To sooth the Winter, vernal Zephyrs blow:
But soon the Summer Suns intensely glow;
The Summer's Heat to milder Autumn yields,
When golden Apples glitter through the Fields;

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But Autumn foon recedes, and Boreas brings The lazy Winter on his hoary Wings: The filver Moon her Orb collecting wanes. And shines refulgent in th' Ethereal Plains. But when of Life bereft, we touch the Shore Where Bingham, Peers, and Wand's worth went before, In those dark Realms our brittle Clay decay'd, Moulders to Dust, and dwindles to a Shade. Can human Wisdom say, the Pow'rs divine Will to this Day of Life to Morrow join? Then seize the present; crown the sprightly Bowl. Feaft all the Senies, and enlarge the Soul; The Sums confum'd your Heir can never miss Nor know at what Expence you bought your Blifs. When at the Bar of Mines you appear, And from his Lips impartial Sentence hear, Your shining Talents and illustrious Race Can ne'er restore you to your Friends Embrace.

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Vain were th' Attempt, should Pallas lend her Aid,
To call her Bingham from the Stygian Shade;
Nor Talbot's Friendship, since it could not save,
Can raise his much-lov'd Wand sworth from the Grave.

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On the Death of the Right Honourable the Lord CASTLECOMER, 1736.

By T. GILBERT, A. M. Fellow of Peterhouse in Cambridge.

Arewell! thou blooming Hope of Albion's Isle,
Whose Converse could the Cares of Life beguile;
Enrich'd with lively Wit, with Arts adorn'd,
In the first Scene of Youth admir'd, and mourn'd;
Whom Heav'n repenting thought a Gift too great,
And early snatch'd thee to a better State,
Where Souls like thine of an exalted kind
From ev'ry mean and vulgar Thought refin'd,
Dwell in pure Regions of Immortal Joy,
Where nothing can the high-wrought Bliss destroy;

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Where injur'd Innocence kind Angels guard, And flighted Virtue meets a fure Reward. Lamented Youth! what Tears of Sorrow flow, How ev'ry pensive Bosom heaves with Woe! While those whose Breasts the tuneful Nine inspire, Though dumb with Grief, yet touch the moving Lyre, In melancholy Numbers void of Art Speak the fad Language of an aking Heart. Since the frail Sifters cut Thy slender Thread. And You are rank'd among th' Illustrious Dead, Now ev'ry Coxcomb's fond Ambition ends, Whom Vanity, or Fortune made your Friends; When the mean Tribe of Slaves no longer wait, To croud like Parafites your Palace Gate. The facred Muse to Friendship ever dear, O'er thy cold Ashes sheds a grateful Tear; 'Tis Her's to pay the last sad Tribute due celebrated Worth, in Friends like You,

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In humble Strains to make their Merit known. Or mark their Virtues on the sculptur'd Stone-Wand' fworth farewell! in whom kind Nature join'd Whatever could instruct or charm the Mind: With Learning Candour, Modesty with Truth, The Sage's Wisdom with the Fire of Youth, Whose Affability and winning Air Could entertain a Friend, or please the Fair; Who made stern Honour all his Actions guide; Though nobly born, without one Spark of Pride; Whose Glory on its own Foundation stood, And claim'd no Merit from Descent of Blood-When the gay Scene of fleeting Life is o'er, And the World's Vanities delight no more, The parting Soul reflecting on thy Death Shall yield with argater Joy her latest Breath; Without one Straggle bid the World adieu, And wing her Flight to Happiness and You.

On the Widow BRADGATE of the Three Tuns in Oxford, 1734.

By a FRIEND.

ET fighing Poets in a Love-fick Strain

By purling Streams of cruel Nymphs complain,

Or else the tuneful Nine's Assistance boast

In labour'd Verse to celebrate a Toast;

Majestic Bradgate's Charms my Lays inspire,

And ev'ry Thought with glowing Raptures fire.

Let other Nymphs with Artifice prepare

To make each careless Lock contain a Snare,

Consult the Glass their Features to improve,

And strike each self-enamour'd Fop with Love;

While the gay Widow with a graceful Air

Excels in native Charms the brightest Fair,

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Commands detracting Crowds to own her Pow'r. Strikes Envy dumb, and makes the World adore. Mankind must envy thee, illustrious Shade, Whose Merit could deserve so fair a Maid: Extremes of Happiness can never last; Soon was the transitory Pleasure past; And when you had enjoy'd your beauteous Bride, Confess'd the Transport was too great, and dy'd. But still the Pledges of their Love remain, Whose Charms their Mother's Empire will maintain; Though lovely Children her chaste Raptures bless, No pregnant Pangs could make her Beauty less. As Cybele, the Parent of the Gods, Whose radiant Offspring fills the bright Abodes, In spite of Time her youthful Charms can boast, Fair as the Fairest of the Heav'nly Host; So Bradgate (mark but this prophetic Truth) Shall shine for ever in the Bloom of Youth.

The TOAST.

By the same.

ET Infidels be hush'd; fill high my Glass;
Fair Dashwood proves an Atheist is an Ass;
None but a Deity such Art could boast,
To form so gay, so beautiful a Toast.

On LUCINDA.

HEN gay Lucinda clasps me in her Arms, And wantonly displays her blooming Charms; What Colours can describe the charming Fair. Her Virgin Zone unloos'd, her Bosom bare: Her Heart beats quick, her Eyes bear wanton Fire, And every Atom glows with fierce Defire: Stern Honour, Guardian of the tender Sex, O'ercome by Nature, his frail Charge neglects; To Love's fost Passion the kind Fair resigns, Whose roving Appetite no Law confines; Wing'd with Delight the happy Moments flew, Joys, circling Joys, in Pleasure ever new; In Transports lost our panting Bosoms glow, And blended Souls in liquid Rapture flow.

The PATRIOT.

By the same.

URSE on that fordid Miser's Lust of Gold,
By whom his Country's Interest is fold,
Auletes cries; and with a Patriot's Voice
Declares, "Or Liberty or Death's my Choice."
But when N——e whispers in his Ear,
Your Vote shall gain Two Thousand Pounds a Year;
With an obsequious Bow he thanks his Grace,
And wonders how he could mistake the Case.

The Rape of Europa. Translated from Moschus, beginning at

"Ως είπθο' ανόρυσε, φίλας δ' έπιδίξεθ' έταίρας.

HEN from her downy Bed Europa rose,
Her lov'd, coeval, Fellow-Nymphs she chose,
With whom she bath'd where pure Anaurus glides,
Or led the Dances on his verdant Sides,
Or cropp'd the Roses from the painted Field,
Or stole the Scent which slagrant Lillies yield.
Th' obsequious Nymphs obey their Queen's Command,
Each takes an ample Basket in her Hand;
Then to the well-known Mead they bend their Way,
The Mead that bord'ring on the Ocean lay,
Where roseat Objects entertain the Sight,
And murm'ring Streams create a fresh Delight.

Europa

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Europa hore a Basket form'd of Gold, The Work of Vulcan, goodly to behold, To Lybia giv'n when she resign'd her Charms' To bless with Love the wat'ry Monarch's Arms; But Lybia gave the Workmanship divine To Telephessa of her Kindred Line, Then on Europa Telephess' bestow'd The rich, the artful Labours of the God: Inachian Io breath'd in Gold refin'd, A Heifer yet bereft of human Mind, Of Reason void she cross'd the liquid Plain; In Azure flow'd the well-diffembl'd Main: Two Men upon the Ocean's Margin stood, And faw the Heifer stem the briny Flood; Then on the Cow his Hand Saturnius laid, And near the Nile transform'd her to a Maid; The Streams of Nile in ductile Silver roll'd,

Brass was the Beave, the God-head shone in Gold.

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Just on the labour'd Verge Cyllenius lies,
And Argus wakeful with an hundred Eyes,
From whose warm Gore a Bird exulting springs,
And proudly waves its party-colour'd Wings;
The new-born Fowl displays its various Tail,
Whose Plumes expanded like a wavy Sail;
The Basket's golden Brim it cover'd o'er,
Which to the Meadow sair Europa bore.

Soon as they reach'd the Mead and flow'ry Bed,
They chose, they gather'd as their Fancies led.
This Hyacinth, that cropp'd the Vi'let blue,
A third Narcissus of a paler Hue;
The new-pluck'd Flow'rets shed their Leaves around,
And vernal Beauties thick o'erspread the Ground;
Some rob the Crocus of its fragrant Smell,
In the sweet Toil each lab'ring to excel.

But

But in the midst the fair Europa stands, And culls the Roses with her snowy Hands: Than all her Nymphs she boasts a nobler Mien; (As o'er the Graces shines the Paphian Queen) Not long to wanton on the flow'ry Plain, Nor long of Love unconscious to remain; As Thund'ring Yove beheld the blooming Dame, He glow'd, He languish'd with a pleasing Flame, Fair Venus can his Terrors all remove, He melts, He softens, and He yields to Love. From Juno's jealous Rage Himself He veil'd, . And in a Bull the latent God conceal'd: Not fuch a Bull as harrows up the Plains, Or on his Neck the galling Yoke fustains, Not fuch as feeds among the fervile Throng, Or lab'ring draws the lazy Wain along; His Body yellow, in his Front arose A filver Circle white as falling Snows;

His azure Eye-balls languishingly bright Sparkl'd with Love, and glow'd with fost Delight. Two polish'd Antlers from his Front extend. Like Cynthia's Horns in Symmetry they bend. The Mead He enter'd; then the Nymphs drew near. And stroak'd the gentle Beast devoid of Fear. Just at the chaste Europa's Feet He staid, And full of Transport kis'd the lovely Maid; She wipes the Froth as from his Mouth it flows, And harmless Kisses on the Bull bestows, Melodious Lowings antedate his Joys, Soft as the Phrygian Pipe's harmonious Noise. Bending at fair Europa's Feet He bow'd, And on the Nymph retorted Glances throw'd, The stooping Beast his ample Back display'd; Thus to her fair-hair'd Nymphs Europe faid: My fav'rite Virgins, to my Words attend; Approach, approach, this gentle Bull ascend,

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Streight swift as Light'ning springing to the Shore,
The blooming Virgin, Heav'nly Prize! He bore;
With out-stretch'd Arms she call'd her menial Train,
She turn'd, she look'd, she sigh'd, she wish'd, in vain;
Fearless He plung'd amid the wat'ry Way,
And like a Dolphin shot along the Sea.
Emerging Nymphs the parting Waves divide,
On monstrous Whales the blue-ey'd Nereids ride,
Neptune Himself compos'd the angry Main,
And led his Brother o'er the liquid Plain,

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Gath'ring

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Gath'ring around the Sea-born Tritons throng, And their shrill Trumps resound the Nuptial Song. Fix'd on the Bull Europa firm remain'd, One Hand her Vest, and one her self sustain'd, Her floating Garment wanton'd in the Air, And, dancing like a Sail, upheld the trembling Fair. But she whom Fates averse had doom'd to roam Far from her Country, Friends, and pleafing Home, (Now when no hospitable Shore appear'd, No lofty Mountain's airy Summit rear'd, Above, the Heav'ns their azure Brightness show. The wide-extended Ocean foam'd below) Gaz'd all around despairing of Relief, And in these doleful Accents vents her Grief: How can'ft thou journey o'er the briny Plain, Nor dread the various Perils of the Main? Ships o'er the parting Ocean fafely ride, But tim'rous Bulls abhor the foamy Tide;

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To flake thy Thirst no chrystal Fountains rise, The liquid Wild Rubstantial Food denies. Art thou a God, in Heav'n who hold'ft thy Reign? If so, to act beneath a God disdain. The folid Earth no Sea-born Dolphins sweep, No Oxen fail along the hoary Deep; Secure on Earth, secure you stem the Tide, Your Hoofs like Oars the yielding Waves divide: Soon like a Bird you'll tow'r, and foar on high, Amid the azure Regions of the Sky. Unhappy me! who by this Bull am led, Unhappy me! who from my Country fled, Now unaccustom'd o'er the wat'ry Way, Hopeless, forlorn, disconsolate I stray. Neptune affist, your Empire you retain Deep in the chrystal Caverns of the Main, Sure not without the Guidance of a God: I ride in Safety o'er the liquid Road.

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In these Complaints the trembling Virgin mourn'd;
The fair-horn'd Bull an Answer thus return'd:
Restrain your Grief, your drooping Spirits chear,
Desist, sair Nymph, the briny Surge to sear;
Know I am Jove, I sought thee in the Field,
(For Gods can all things) in a Bull conceal'd;
Smit with thy Charms these Regions I explore,
And cross the Seas unknown to Bulls before.
Thee to the Gretan Shore secure I'll bear,
Where Amalthea nurs'd my Youth with Care,
From thee a noble Offspring shall descend,
Whose wide Dominion with the World shall end.

Thus spake the God, and what He spake was true,
That Instant Crete arose upon the View;
Then Thund'ring Jeve resum'd his Form divine,
And all around celestial Glories shine;

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Th' impatient God the Virgin's Zone disclos'd, The winged Hours the genial Bed compos'd, Proud of her Conquest she resign'd her Charms, And rose a teeming Mother from his Arms.

A Tran-

A Translation from the Latin O D E of the Third Chapter of HABBAKUK.

By a FRIEND.

THE Great CREATOR arm'd with Wrath divine.
Forfaking Teman, and the lofty Paran,
With Majesty refulgent fill'd the World,
And all the wide Expanse of chrystal Sky.

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Death.

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Death flies before in various Shapes of Ills,

The Plague and every terrible Disease

Attend the Deity in dreadful Pomp,

While Plames destructive burn beneath his Feet.

The Light'ning darted through the vaulted Globe Casts a dread Terror o'er the trembling World, Vast Hills subside, and Mountains shun His Wrath.

These Eyes beheld the Sun-burnt Æthiops
Struck with uncommon Fear, and Midia
Trembling amidst the rough-hoarse-sounding Noise.

The Surges in fwift Torrents backward roll'd, Affrighted Jordan to His Bed retir'd, While God in Triumph rode upon the Waves.

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The Hills and Rivers faw Thy Face, and fled,
And the loud Seas with Thy Great Presence aw'd,
Groan'd in hoarse Murmurs from their inmost Caves,

Each Pole's invelop'd in the Gloom of Night
At Thy Command; the Radiant God of Day
Starting confounded, stops His fiery Steeds;
And the pale lambent Moon neglects to guide
Her Chariot, wand'ring through the Shades of Night.

The Nations felt what the offended God Of Jacob cou'd perform; He shook his Spear, While Arrows, pregnant with Destruction, slew Through the vast Void, sure Ministers of Fate.

The loud hoarfe Thunder menacing of Death Pierces their Ears, their Tongues forget to speak,

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And dastard Fear runs thrilling thro' each Vein.
Tho' Earth shou'd mock the careful Ploughman's Toil,
And Nature perish in one common Wreck,
My Muse shall ever sing Jehovah's Name,
Sole Lord of all, of Heaven and Earth Supreme.

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